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areword

For more than one hundred years the Virginia Military Institute has given our nation citizen soldiers—men who have distinguished themselves on the battle fields and in the various walks of civilian life. In the one hundred and seventy-three years of its existence as an independent nation, the United States has found itself in the throes of seven major conflicts, conflicts that have threatened the very life of this great republic. In the five wars which have taken place since the founding of the Institute in 1839, V. M. I. has sent her sons forth. In the War Between the States the cadets fought as a unit in the Battle of New Market, a glorious heritage, unique in the annals of history.

In all her past and throughout the future, her greatest glory should be that she has prepared men to serve their country whenever the time occasions itself. The splendid record of her alumni in all wars is a magnificent tribute to the fine training and talent for leadership she imparts. What testimonial could be more fitting than this splendid record?



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Dedicated to



COLONEL W. M. HUNLEY



It is with greatest pleasure that the Class of 1949 dedicates its Bomb to Colonel William Muse Hunley, a man who, throughout his thirty-three years at the Institute, has won the admiration, as a teacher and a friend, of the cadets he has taught. To have had Colonel Hunley for an instructor in economics has been an experience which each of us will remember with the same fondness that we shall always feel for the Colonel himself. He has made his own vast experiences a part of the education of every V. M. I. cadet.



"COLLEGE BILL"



THE MEXICAN WAR



It was on March 22, 1836, that an act, passed by the General Assembly of Virginia, was approved reorganizing the Lexington Arsenal as a military school, and less than a month later the Republic of Texas became an independent nation, immediately following the defeat of the Mexicans at the Battle of San Jacinto. The commander of the Texans in that battle was later President of the Republic and he, General Samuel Houston (1793-1863), was born about seven miles north of the site of the Virginia Military Institute. Boundary disputes and the project to acquire California and lands eastward to Texas brought on about a decade later, or in May, 1846, the war between the United States and Mexico. Only four classes had been graduated at that time, but twenty-nine men who had been V. M. I. cadets took part in the war. Looking backward over the century which has elapsed, we can envisage the military careers of these citizen-soldiers and examine the use to which their experience in war was put in another war which began thirteen years later. These men were in eight classes and only ten of them were graduates, but expressed in terms of rank, their service in the Mexican War was: 1 major, 3 captains, 15 lieutenants, 1 assistant surgeon (Army), 1 assistant paymaster (Navy), 1 sergeant major, 1 sergeant, 1 corporal and 5 privates. Three of these men died in Mexico and seven others died before 1861—on the other hand, one of the last survivors of the Aztec Club was one of these graduates and he lived until a few months after the armistice was signed which suspended hostilities in World War I. Four of the nineteen veterans who were living in 1861 took no part in the War Between the States, and the service of the others may be grouped as follows: One was a brigadier general in the Union Army and fourteen served in the Confederate Army—2 brigadier generals, 5 colonels, 4 lieutenant colonels, 1 major, and 2 captains. (Of these, a colonel was killed in action at Chancellorsville and a captain was killed in action at Seven Pines.)

One of the captains in the Mexican War fought a duel in Mexico and his second was Lieutenant T. J. Jackson—later known as "Stonewall."

Housed in one of the wings of the Castle of Chapultepec, which is on a rocky eminence rising about two hundred feet above the plateau a mile southwest of the City of Mexico, was the Colegio Militar. From the point of view of the V. M. I. cadet, the presence of more than one hundred of the cadets who attended this institution, the national military college, during the assault on Chapultepec was one of the features of the campaign. These cadets were from fifteen to eighteen years of age and they had been ordered by Santa Anna, shortly before the assault, to withdraw, but they unanimously decided to ignore the order and to remain and defend their college. Some were later withdrawn; forty of them were made prisoners when the castle fell, and five were killed in action fighting with gallantry which has brought praise from all who saw them and from succeeding generations. The names of those who died are inscribed on one of the two monuments erected to their memory in the Park of Chapultepec.

"Remembering these, let no man think too highly of himself or meanly of mankind."

Colonel William Couper
Historiographer, V. M. I.

BOOK ONE



The Institute

*The Statue
of Jackson*





*The South Side
of Barracks*





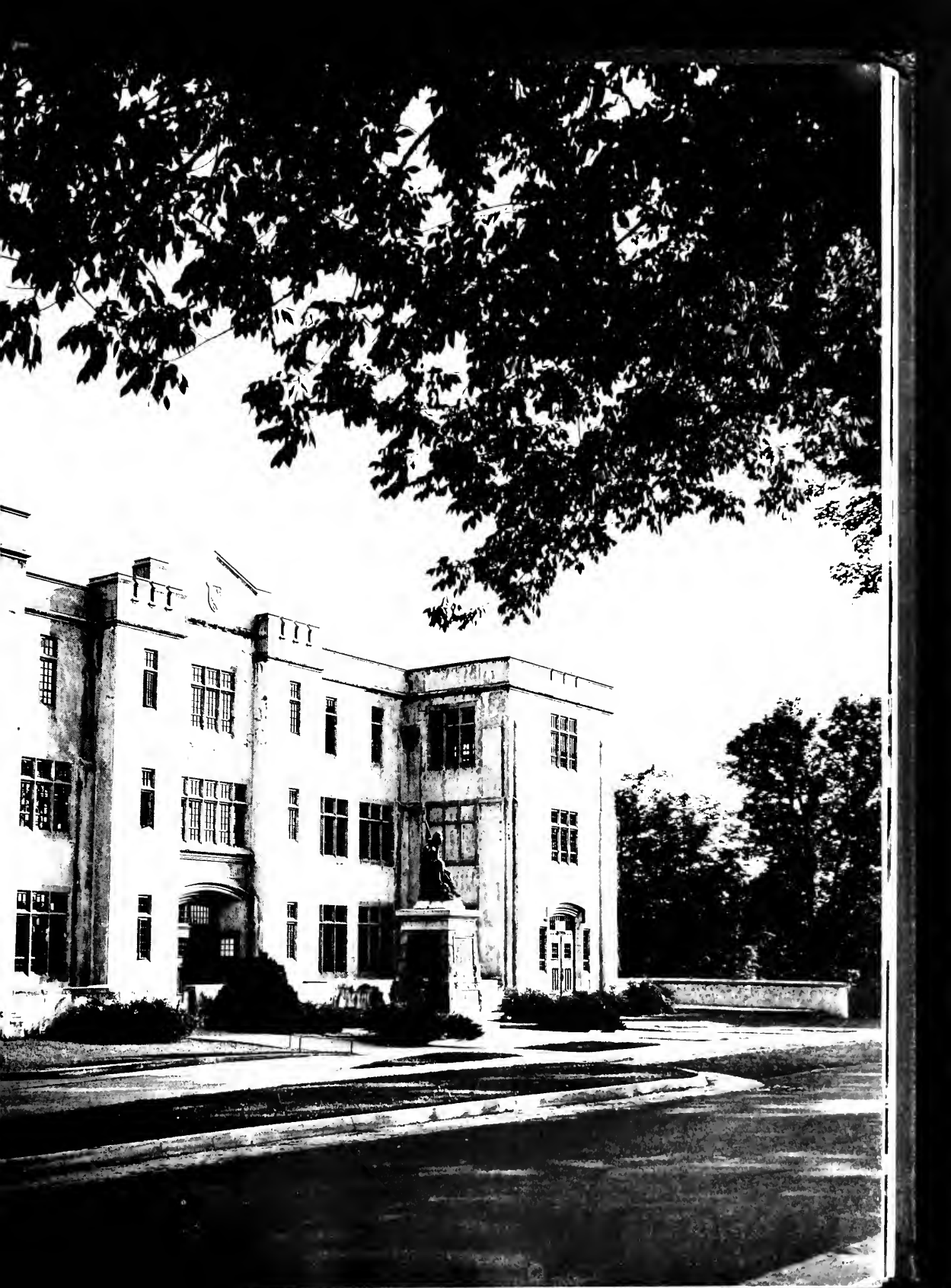
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The academic system of the Virginia Military Institute boasts of features found at few other colleges in the country. One of the primary advantages of this system is that cadets are divided into small sections which afford personal instruction and contact. This system fosters better relations between the instructor and the cadet and adds to the personal incentive of the cadet.

The system functions on a semester basis of grading, with examinations being given twice a year. Daily recitations are usually required in each subject, thus necessitating continuous interest and work on the part of the cadet.

V. M. I., although a military college, does not educate its students primarily for an army career. There are five curricula offered—Liberal Arts, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Chemistry, and Pre-Medical. Any one of these, combined with the required Military Science courses, prepares the student for a civilian as well as a service career and also meets the requirements for entrance into graduate work.

It has been said that the most coveted possession of the V. M. I. graduate is his diploma from the Institute. This is true for it represents four years of hard work in an educational environment bettered by no other college.

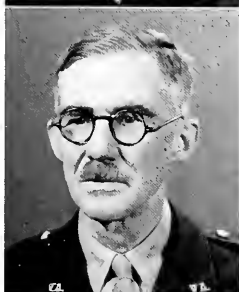
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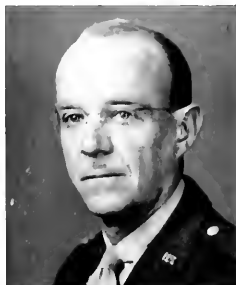
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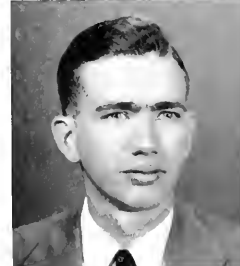
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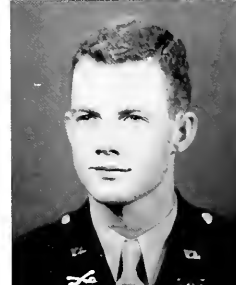
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July 5, 1842, the day following V. M. I.'s first graduation, saw the organization of the Alumni Military Association. Its name was later changed to the Society of Alumni, and in time it became known as the V. M. I. Alumni Association. It now has a membership of approximately seven thousand and boasts of forty chapters. Any cadet who leaves V. M. I. in good standing automatically becomes a member of the Association.

There are no alumni dues, but each alumnus is expected to contribute in proportion to his financial ability.

The Association maintains an Alumni Hall, publishes the Alumni Review, operates an employment bureau, and supplies speakers to chapters.

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The V. M. I. Foundation was organized in 1937 by the Alumni Association as a non-profit corporation. Under its charter it is authorized to receive and administer gifts and bequests for the welfare of the Institute.

The main purpose of the Foundation is not only to perpetuate but to improve the type of academic training which is characteristic of V. M. I.

George D. Brooke, Class of 1900, is the present Foundation President, and George C. Marshall, Class of 1901, is First Vice President. O. L. Denton, Class of 1924, was elected Foundation Secretary on August 1, 1945.

Since its organization the Foundation has received approximately \$600,000 in subscriptions.



MAJOR O. L. DENTON
Foundation Secretary

In Tribute

To
Lt. Col. John E. Townes
Faculty Advisor
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The staff of the 1949 Bomb pays tribute to Lieutenant Colonel John E. Townes, its faculty advisor. During the twenty-six years that he has been an instructor at the Virginia Military Institute, he has at one time or another been associated with the cadet newspaper and the cadet yearbook. Colonel Townes, through his constant friendship and guidance, has done much to develop and improve these publications. The success that they have had may be largely credited to his freely given energy and support.



THE WAR BETWEEN THE STATES



THE passage of the Kansas-Nebraska Bill in 1854 set in motion a train of events which led to a war between the States—and in that struggle a Union was preserved. As it finally worked out it was a contest to determine whether a State has the right to withdraw from the Union, and it changed the formerly assumed sovereign rights of the States (which had, in 1787, created for specific and limited purposes a federal union) to those of administrative subdivisions of a government.

There are those who assert with good reason that the high tide of the Confederacy occurred in the fall of 1862, but it has been customary to say that it was reached at Gettysburg, and it has also been customary to say that the high tide of the Battle of Gettysburg (despite some analyses to the contrary) took place during the charge of Pickett's Division—here depicted. There were fifteen regiments in this division and all except two of them, the 9th Virginia and the 14th Virginia, were commanded by V. M. I. men. It was also in this battle that the greatest regimental casualty of the war took place. The commander of the 26th North Carolina Regiment was a V. M. I. graduate, who was killed in the battle, and the casualties suffered by his regiment were the greatest in number, 708, and the greatest in percentage of those taken into action (88%) in any regiment on either side during the war. Four days after Virginia seceded, or about two years before the Battle of Gettysburg, the V. M. I. corps was taken to Richmond under the command of one of the professors, Major T. J. Jackson, who three months later commanded a brigade at the Battle of First Manassas under circumstances which caused him forever after to be known as "Stonewall." In that battle, the first major engagement of the war, some of the casualties were men who were still in the uniform of a V. M. I. cadet and from time to time during the conflict others were killed in action in their cadet uniforms. The cadets who were taken to Richmond were engaged in instructing and drilling volunteers who were being assembled at Camp Lee, but the corps as such was soon disorganized by advancement of the cadets to military rank in the various Army organizations. The demand for trained officer personnel, however, was so insistent that the Institute was reopened on January 1, 1862, as a training school to supply skilled and educated officers. During the war the corps of cadets was called into active duty on fourteen occasions, and in one campaign it took part, on May 15, 1864, in a pitched battle at New Market, Va. In that battle ten were killed and forty-seven were wounded—twenty-two per cent were casualties. The participation of a corps of cadets as a unit in battle is unique, although there have been groups of cadets from other institutions which have participated in engagements from time to time. Starting with "The First Blood of the War" (the first officer killed in battle) the casualties continued until two hours before the surrender at Appomattox. In this war the opposing armies were actually present at the V. M. I. and on June 12, 1864, following an artillery bombardment, the buildings and equipment were burned and destroyed. 1,796 names of V. M. I. men who took part in the war have been recorded and 259 of them lost their lives.

"Not for fame or reward,
Not for peace or for rank,
Not lured by ambition
Or goaded by necessity,
But in simple obedience to duty
As they understood it,
These men suffered all—
Sacrificed all—
Dared all—
And died."

Colonel William Couper
Historiographer, V. M. I.

BOOK TWO



The Corps

*The
Regimental
Staff*



V. L. MAXWELL, JR.
Regimental Commander



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Regimental S-4



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Regimental S-3

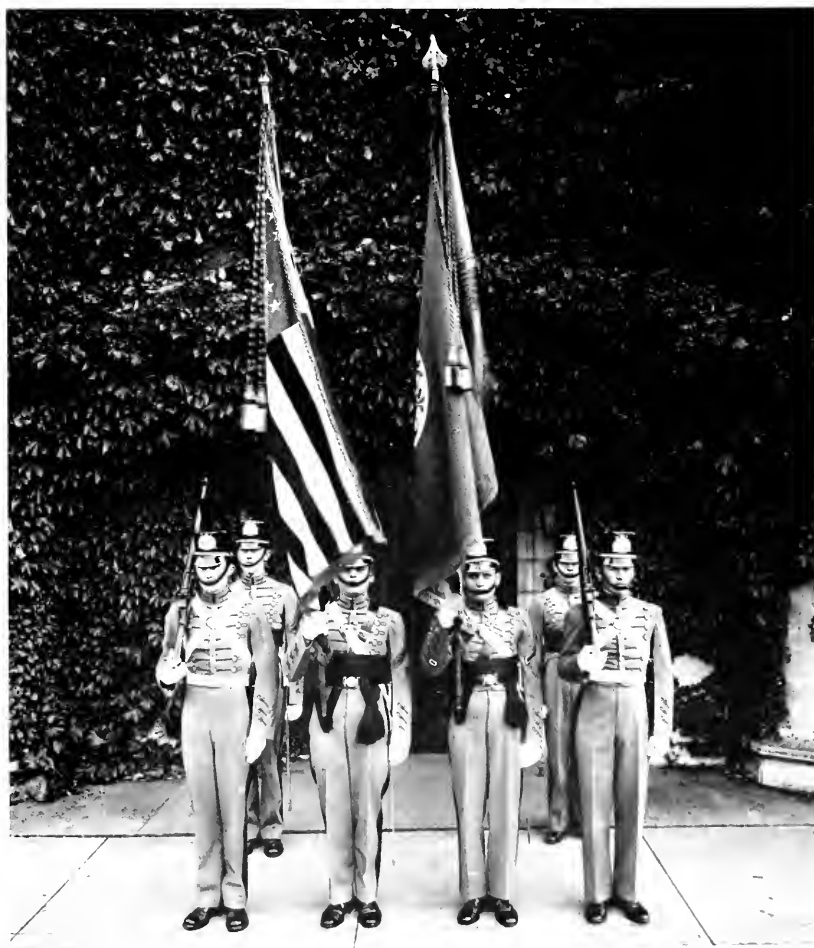


H. J. SIMPSON
Regimental Sergeant Major



R. J. TRINKLE, JR.
Regimental Supply Sergeant

The Colors



T. P. HARWOOD, JR.
Battalion Sergeant Major

T. R. COOKE
Color Private

G. T. CHALLONER
Color Sergeant

R. J. TRINKLE, JR.
Regimental Supply Sergeant

H. W. STROHM
Color Sergeant

T. D. BOWERS
Color Private

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Lieutenant, Adjutant



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Sergeant Major

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First Lieutenant



D. E. WYKOFF
Second Lieutenant

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D. E. Wykoff

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B. d'E. Flagge

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D. W. Marble

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E. G. Reinhold

J. M. Warrington

C. W. Weller

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J. M. Close

G. T. Edwards

J. F. Inman
R. R. Laville
R. D. Moncrief
K. Noer
J. B. Phillips
D. R. Reynolds
L. C. Sheffield
J. F. Town
R. L. Wick

CADET PRIVATES FOURTH CLASS

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R. J. Buchanan

C. B. Goldacker

R. A. Larrick

J. E. Larson

W. L. Patrick

W. Schenstrom

T. A. Sokol

S. L. Wright

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TO VINDICATE HER HONC
J.T.



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COMMANDING**

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CADET FIRST LIEUTENANT

E. T. Watling

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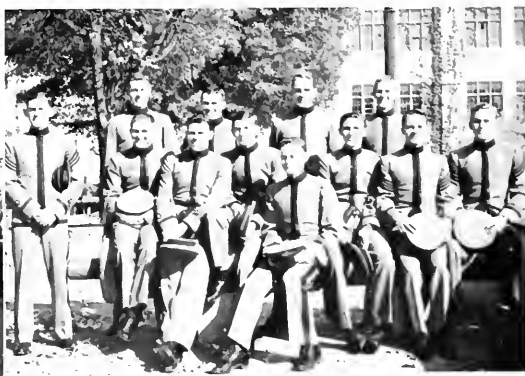
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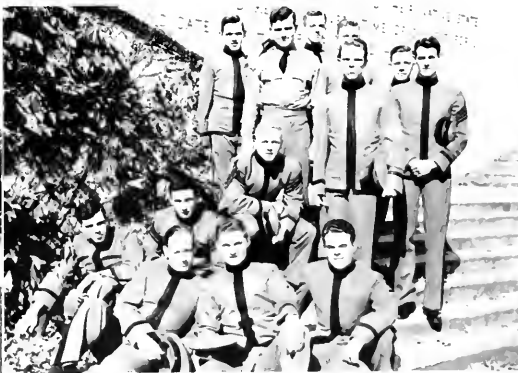
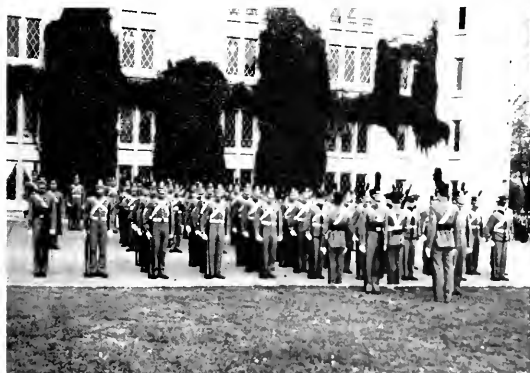
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K. Watson

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C. Berry

J. Felrey

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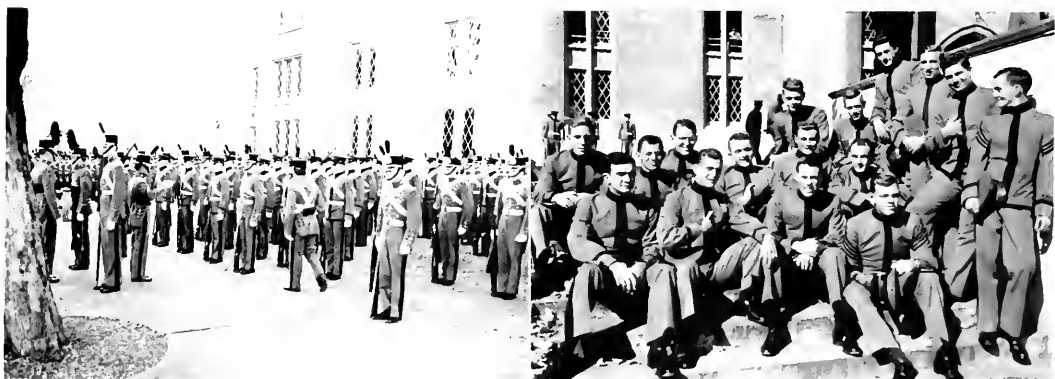
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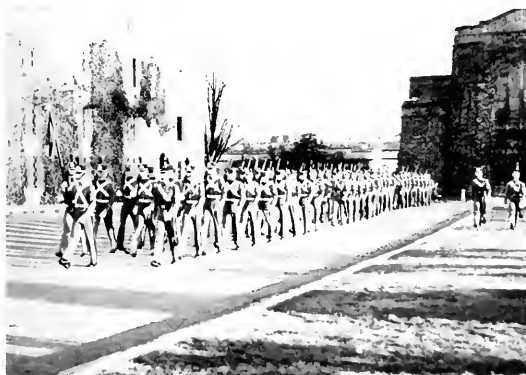
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The Last Cavalry Troop

Finals of 1948 marked the end of an era at V. M. I., for, as the Cavalry Troop, long an integral part of V. M. I. parades, passed in review to the stirring strains of "Gary Owen" for the last time, the horses bade their final farewell to the Institute. Always an impressive sight, the troop made an indelible stamp on the minds of all that day, for the flashing brass, fluttering guidons, and prancing horses, resplendent in their white tack, will live on forever in that portion of men's minds which is reserved for the grandeur of beloved traditions.

The Cavalry was once a compulsory part of the Keydets' training at the Institute, but, as the mechanized forces gained in tactical importance, it became an extra-curricular activity. Many of the horses in the troop doubled as polo ponies, show horses, and mounts for privilege riding, and some of the best jumpers in the state, such as Virginia's own unforgettable Jackknife and Gyrene, have honored the Institute and its riders with their performances; many outstanding polo teams have credited the red, white, and yellow colors they bore. However, be they polo players, jumpers, or just plain cadets, the riders in the troop have always exhibited the same spirit and manliness for which V. M. I. is famous. Like all good things, they will be missed, but they will not be forgotten. Their fame and their spirit will live on in the stories which will live after them, for, at an earlier date these riders and these mounts might well have accompanied J. E. B. Stuart in many an encounter. Yes, their story will live on, and many will hear as an echo from the past that lost phrase, "'A' Troop, present or accounted for."



UNITED STATES ARMY AND AIR FORCE OFFICERS

First Row from Left to Right:

Major Eairley, Major Miller, Lieutenant-Colonel Garrett, Colonel Bucher, Lieutenant-Colonel Irby, Major Bailey, Major Maling

Second Row from Left to Right:

Chief Warrant Officer Swiecki, Captain Andrews, Major Edens, Captain Patton, Captain Breitenbach



UNITED STATES ARMY AND AIR FORCE ENLISTED MEN

First Row from Left to Right: Sergeant Hostetter, Corporal Tardy, Master Sergeant Wells, Staff Sergeant Gordon, Master Sergeant Cutri, Sergeant Swink, Corporal Smiley

Second Row from Left to Right: Sergeant Carter, Sergeant Robertson, Sergeant Zollman, Sergeant Kessler, Staff Sergeant Martin, Sergeant Cauley, Sergeant McNeill

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1. Beachcomber
2. Company Daze Room

3. The Pits
4. Ten-Minute Break

5. V. M. I. Color Guard
6. Tropical Life at Bragg

7. "Over the Top, men!"
8. Foot Bath

Camp, 1948



1. Generals Con-
ferring
2. Get the Can
Opener

3. All Wet
4. Pressing Military
Duties

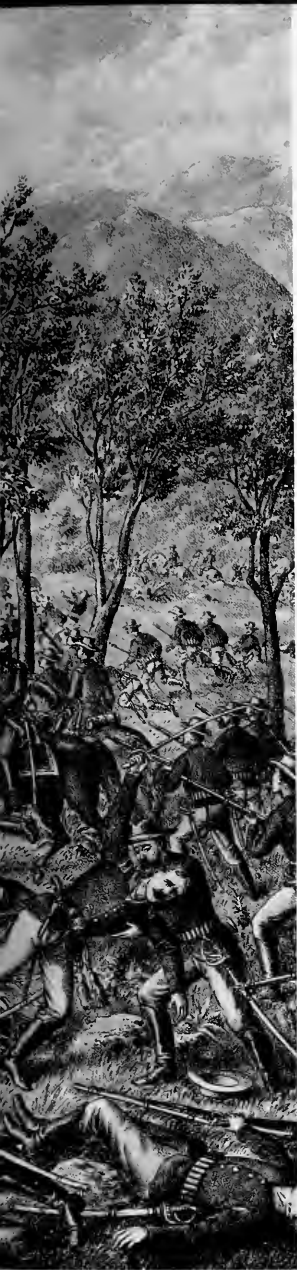
5. Langley's Star
Athletes
6. Old Artillerymen

7. Roughing It
8. Boy Scouts?

9. Another Old
Artilleryman
10. Finis



THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR



THIS brief struggle practically terminated what had been the greatest colonial empire of the world—the principal remnants were Cuba and the Philippine Islands. It had taken ten years to suppress the rebellion of 1868 in Cuba, and when the inhabitants of that island again revolted in 1894, a Spanish army sent to restrain them committed such frightful depredations that President Cleveland, in discussing the circumstances, in his annual message in 1896, said: "When the inability of Spain to deal successfully with the insurgents has become manifest and it is demonstrated that her sovereignty is extinct in Cuba for all purposes of its rightful existence, and when a hopeless struggle for its reestablishment has degenerated into a strife which means nothing more than the useless sacrifice of human life and the utter destruction of the very subject matter of the conflict, a situation will be presented in which our obligations to the sovereignty of Spain will be superseded by higher obligations, which we can hardly hesitate to recognize and discharge."

And that is almost exactly what happened, for the harsh measures of General Weyler, commander of the Spanish forces, compelled President McKinley to protest in June, 1897, with the result that Weyler was recalled.

About six months later (January 25) the U. S. Battleship Maine arrived at Havana on what was reported as a friendly mission, and soon thereafter the entire world was startled by the news that this battleship had been destroyed with heavy casualties, on February 15, 1898, by a submarine mine while lying at anchor in Havana harbor. The war, which was declared about nine weeks later, lasted only four months, but the armed force lists show that over 300,000 were mobilized before the peace protocol was signed in August. The casualties, however, were about 6,500, most of whom died of pestilence in the places where the troops were concentrated.

Many former V. M. I. cadets took part in the fighting in the Philippines which followed the Spanish-American War, and this may be a good place to record that thirty of them have fought in the armed forces of other countries in various wars. One hundred thirty-one former cadets have been catalogued who served in the Spanish-American War, and, of these, five died in the service.

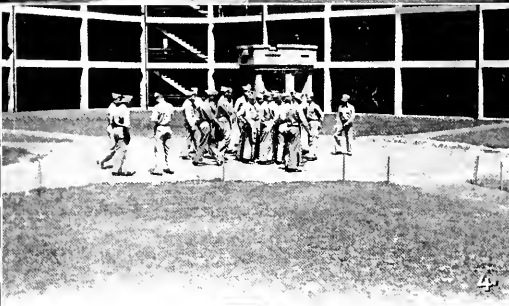
"Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori."

Colonel William Couper
Historiographer, V. M. I.



BOOK THREE

The Classes



HISTORY OF THE

This story begins on July 11, 1945. Some two hundred and fifty young men arrived in Lexington from all sections of our country. Those first weeks at the Institute shall always live vividly in our memories. It was not until the new cadet restrictions had been removed and our rat-line days had come to a momentous close that we understood what had happened to us that first year. The sorrows, the joys, the hardships and the happinesses that we had experienced together had molded us into a unit. We had realized a feeling toward each other that words are incapable of describing.

We took the responsibilities of being third classmen seriously. Following our leaders, we enforced Rat Restrictions with all the strength and enthusiasm we had. We found

1. Lambs to the slaughter
2. Big shots
3. Future surgeons
4. First rat sentinel Akers
5. Old soldiers on bivouac
6. Crewchief's first mission
7. S. Y. T.'s and their B. T. O.'s
8. Big Jess
9. Gung Korea
10. Snowed



CLASS OF 1949-B

that this was no pleasure, but that it was an unpleasant duty that often ended in misfortune. Time passed and our second year at V. M. I. closed. At this time we lost a great leader in our class president, Jess Totten. He will always be remembered by us as a fine leader and comrade.

Our second class year brought us more time for the brighter side of a cadet's life. The brightest of these was, of course, our ring figure. It was held at the Easter hops and the good times really rolled. We were presented with the symbol of our class by our favorite girls. Nothing was left undone in the realization of a glorious week end. Finals soon followed, and then came our longest summer furlough.

We returned in September with all eyes focused on our

1. "Suck up that gut"
2. At rest
3. Drive out of the courtyard
4. Studious civils
5. Family portrait
6. Bathing beauty on the roof
7. Showing off at "Macon"
8. Trapped in a downpour
9. Military Life at Langley Field



HISTORY OF THE

first-class year. In February the Class of 1949-B became the First Class. We were faced with new responsibilities. The jobs of supervising the rat system, enforcing the class system, and making the important decisions concerning life in the barracks were ours. In return for responsibilities we received new privileges. Our reputation was quickly established at Hollins, Sweet Briar, Randolph - Macon, and Mary Baldwin. Tears will be shed and hearts broken when the Class of 1949-B takes final leave of the Institute.

The graduation of the Class of 1949-A marked our last June finals. How could we forget the Phi Gam house? Again, summer furlough was due. Most of it was exhausted at R. O. T. C. camps. Fort Meade, Fort Bragg, and Langley Field learned that there is no branch

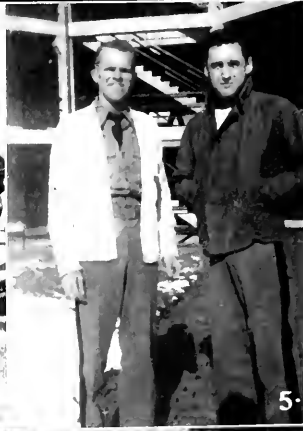
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2. The long wait
3. Objects of honest pride
4. "Sem" date
5. What is it?
6. Cassanova and date
7. Ugh!
8. Les Trois Mousquetaires
9. Future chaplains

CLASS OF 1949-B

of the service big enough to hold the men of 1949-B down. Aside from the military training, the free time was also well spent. Virginia Beach was the central headquarters on most of the week ends.

We returned to school in September to witness our most successful football season. Paced by our incomparable brother rat, Bobby Thomason, the squadron toyed with V. P. I. to the tune of 33-7 for the third defeat of the hated gobblers during our cadetship. This last term at the Institute has brought some most unforgettable "get-togethers" with parents and friends. Mike's and the Pine Room were usually the scene of these "parties." It is generally accepted that the Class of 1949-B can really do a "blow out" up right.

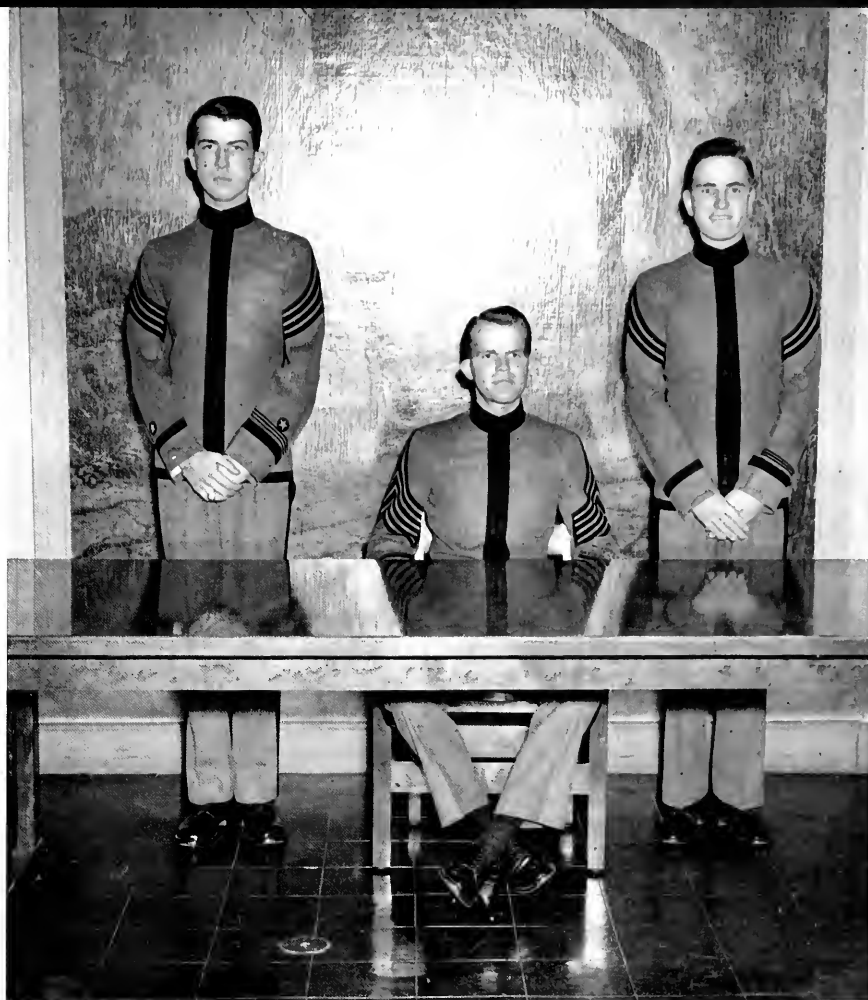
The time has come at last



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2. A new cadet?
3. Too young to smoke
4. Smith gets in the act
5. "Gorgeous George" and Moe
6. Mouthwash salesman
7. The end of the trail
8. She's from Kansas, too
9. Powder Call
10. Hick-ulp
11. Are we going to beat hell yes?

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1. Skidets et al
2. Sachs sacks
3. Chauncy
4. Youth symbolized
5. California here we come
6. General Headquarters
7. Pick and Shovel Boys
8. Civil project



1st Class Officers

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V. L. Maxwell.....*President*

N. T. Overton.....*Vice President*

W. M. Shelley.....*Historian*

The Class



John H. Akers



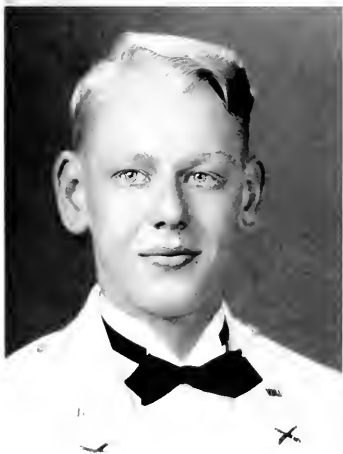
George B. Ashby



Massey P. Bedsole, Jr.



Theodore R. Bohn



Axel Bolvig, Jr.



Peter E. Bowers, Jr.





JOHN HURT AKERS ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Liberal Arts 1949-B Air Force
Football (4); Track (3, 2, 1); Deep South Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Vice President, Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Methodist Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Monogram Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Glee Club (1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3).

On the muscle side of life we have John "Sterling" Akers, better known as "Bull." John hails from Atlanta, Georgia, and has proven himself to be a true Brother Rat during his time at the "Insti." Never without a mirror and a comb, "Bull" has come to be the wonder boy of the little gym, demonstrating his muscles on the horizontal bar and in the weight department. He earned his letter in football during his rat year and picked up two more letters as an outstanding javelin man on the track team.

MASSEY PALMER BEDSOLE, JR. MOBILE, ALABAMA

Chemistry 1949-B Infantry
Basketball (4); American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Intramural Manager (1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2).

"Legs," who hails from Alabama, is a character who will remain in the minds of his Brother Rats and associates for a long time to come. His wit and harmless sarcasm have confused more than one of his Brother Rats. "Legs" is one of "Les's" boys, preferring to play with test tubes instead of a slide rule, and he seems to have done well for himself along this line. Wherever Palmer's career takes him, we're sure he can't go wrong.

AXEL BOLVIG, JR. BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Executive Committee (3, 2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Swimming Team (3, 2, 1); Monogram Club (1); Deep South Club (4, 3, 2); Junior Varsity Football Manager (2); Cadet Librarian (2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

Axel, the Dane from Birmingham, better known as "Ox" to the B. R.'s, came to Virginia with many good intentions. We know that he is returning to Alabama with these fulfilled, although he must admit a few "unintentional" journeys to the "T.Room." In the past four years, "Ox" has proved himself a topnotch student and an excellent athlete. If one desires advice, practical or otherwise, Axel is always ready to offer his services. It would be hard to find a man better equipped with the mind, character, and disposition for success in any field.

GEORGE BARRY ASHEY

WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA

Civil Engineering 1947 Air Force
Polo Team (4, 3, 2, 1), Co-Captain (3), Captain (2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Glee Club (3, 2, 1); Cavalry Troop (3, 2, 1), Lieutenant (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2).

"Carlos" was probably the saddest person at V. M. I. the day the horses were taken away. Since he was a mainstay of the polo team for three years, he is well known in collegiate polo circles throughout the East. Proud that he's a member of the frolicking first platoon of "D" Co., his quick wit and hearty laughter have been heard many times at drill and parade. With a personality that everyone likes, George will always be remembered by his friends at V. M. I.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT BOHN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Liberal Arts 1949-B Cavalry
Horse Show Team (4, 3, 2); Varsity Wrestling Team (4, 2, 1); Cadet Staff (3); Associate Editor, 1948 Bomb; Business Manager, 1949 Bomb; Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); International Relations Club (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Lectern Club (2, 1); Cavalry Troop (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3).

"Casino" Bohn came to V. M. I. from the wilds of Chicago with a natural flair for enterprise, both corporate and private. He proceeded to make fame, a fabulous fortune, and a record that few have ever surpassed at the Institute. The handsome "Butter and Eggs" man from the West will long be remembered for his firm stand on many issues, and ultimately the Harvard School of Law will receive a brilliant mind when Ted heads for Boston. The passing years may make V. M. I. forgetful of Ted, but wherever the Brother Rats gather to chat about times, the name of "Young Theodore" will live on with the traditions of the class of 1949-B.

PETER ELWOOD BOWERS, JR. KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Liberal Arts 1949-B Infantry
Wrestling Team (4); American Chemical Society (3); Academic Stars (3); Polo Team (2, 1); Lectern Club (2, 1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Assistant Manager, Wrestling Team (2); Treasurer, Hop Committee (1); Bomb Staff (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (3, 2); Battalion Sergeant Major (2, 1); Second Lieutenant (1).

"Petie," one of the few in barracks who is never found without a date, insists that his home town, Kansas City, produces the finest girls in the world. Being one of the better horsemen in school, he appreciates fine horses as well as beautiful girls. "Petie's" hearty laughter has been heard in many a good barracks party, and his gaiety will always be remembered. If his future is as successful as his four years at the Institute, it should be very bright.



"Mule"



"Carlos"



"Legs"



"Teddles"

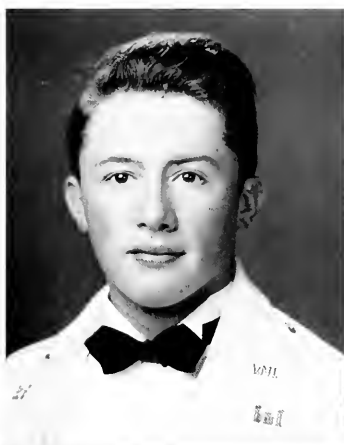


"Ox"



"Petie"

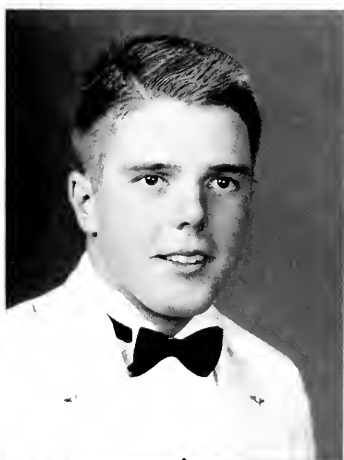
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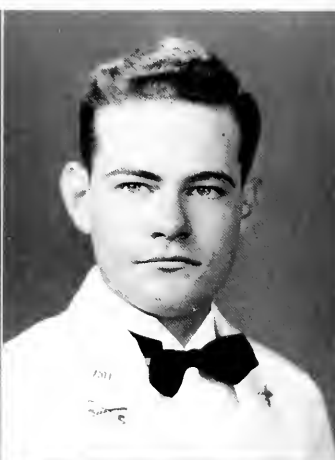
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Cary R. Branch, Jr.



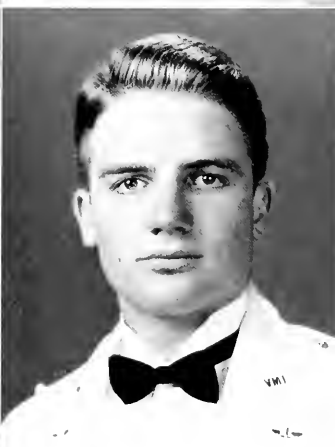
Robert A. Bristow



Allen M. Casey, Jr.



Edwin D. Crane III



James W. Enochs, Jr.





THOMAS DIX BOWERS NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1), Co-President (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Supply Sergeant (2).

Norfolk came through again when it contributed "Tommy" to the Institute. Although he was extremely busy all during his cadetship pursuing a degree in Electrical Engineering, he found time to devote to many extra-curricular activities. The majority of his free time was devoted to his duties as president of the Glee Club. V. M. I. can claim a fine singer in "Tommy." With his amiable personality, "Tommy" has endeared himself to his Brother Rats and associates. We feel certain that no matter what field "Tommy" chooses upon graduation, he will be successful.

ROBERT ASHBY BRISTOW HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Officers of the Guard Association (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Track Team (2, 1); Cadet Staff (3, 2); Turnout Staff (2); Canterbury Club (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2).

Wherever a crowd of Brother Rats gather, you can be sure that "Ole Bristy" will be right there enjoying himself fully and extending his wonderful sense of humor, his friendliness, and even his jolly smile. During his academic years "Bristy" has shown with unparalleled enthusiasm that he is capable of undertaking the great or small, and with his usual ease make a fine success of all. Bob will undoubtedly carry his admirable traits into the business world and impress others as he has his friends at the Institute.

EDWIN DUFF CRANE III ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Air Force
Glee Club (2, 1); Rifle Team (4, 3, 2, 1), Captain (3, 2); 1948 Bomb Staff; Pistol Team (2); Individual Rifle Cup Award (3); Deep South Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

"Mr. Crane, I'll give you a two!" and "Ichabod" has had it again from the Chemistry Department. Ed is a pre-med. He has had to combat not only the unpredictable "Doc" but also the famous chemists— "Les," "Squeak," and "Butch." When he is not plugging away at the books, he can be found on the rifle range or at nearby girls' colleges "giving some lucky girl a break." After graduation, Ed plans to go to medical school.

CARY RANDOLPH BRANCH, JR. RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Glee Club (2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Assistant Track Manager (2); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3).

"Two cheese," or "Sir, that penalty is ridiculous," "Beanie" is at it again. This is one cadet who managed to stay out of trouble during his whole cadetship. What about it "Beanie"? Another John Marshall product of the Holy City clan, "Beanie" acquired a great affection for the English department and the Tactical staff during his cadetship. Another of "Bunny's" bulb snatchers, he was a first class private of the highest order, always for his class and company. P. S. Word just arrived that he is taking a post-graduate course in confinement.

ALLEN MARK CASEY, JR. HOUSTON, TEXAS

Liberal Arts 1949-B Cavalry
Private (4, 3, 2, 1); Polo Team (4, 3); Assistant Manager, Basketball Team (2); Assistant Manager, Baseball Team (2); Manager, Junior Varsity Basketball Team (1); Texas Club (4, 3); Vice President (2); President (1); Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Hop Committee (1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Turnout Staff (2, 1); Cavalry Troop (4, 3, 2); Lectern Club (2, 1).

Mark is a "dyed-in-the-wool" Texan who shouts the praises of his native state at every opportunity. The rabble-raising president of the Texas Club displayed an unbelievable ability to run afoul of the "powers that be," when he visited certain nearby girls' schools. His famous "line," though effective at Mary Baldwin, backfired at Charlottesville. Always ready to help a friend or to join in a party, "Case" will long be remembered by his Brother Rats.

JAMES WILSON ENOCHS, JR. HOPEWELL, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Canterbury Club (3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Intramural Council (1); Bomb Staff (1); Glee Club (2); Private (4, 2); Corporal (3); Second Lieutenant (1); Captain (1).

"God's gift to women" has finally made it to graduation. Never backward in "bull sessions," never failing to deceive the lovelies with his innocent looks, "Nux" has been tops with everyone since that fatal day in July. "Dog" Company will suffer the loss of one of its best intramural men when "Nux" leaves. His "B. R.'s" and his many friends will remember him for his friendliness and his engaging personality.



"Tommy"



"Beanie"



"Bristy"



"Case"



"Ichabod"



"Nux"

The Class



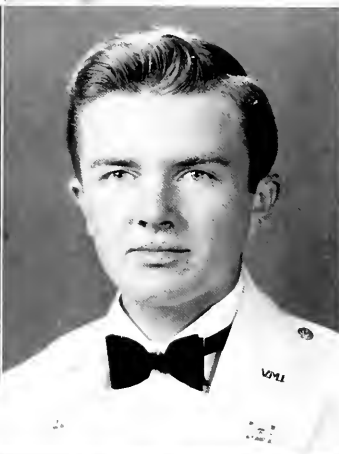
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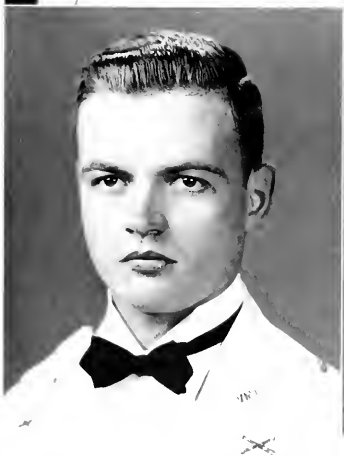
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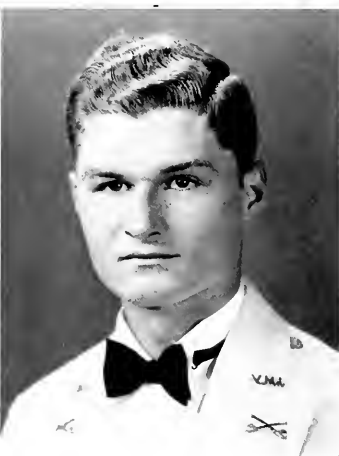
Ray A. Gibbs



Raymond S. Gordon



Monroe M. Gregory, Jr.



John W. Haggerty III





GUY RAJAH EVANS ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1947 Air Force
Bomb, Cadet, and Turnout Photographer (3, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3, 1); Sergeant (2, 1).

"Smile, please," he says from the darkness behind four thousand candle power of light. Guy has faithfully photographed the life and doings of "Ye Old Institute" for years. Besides toting a camera, he has spent a few odd moments whipping off a few E. E. problems for "Spark-plug." A very sincere person in everything that he did, Guy can always be counted on to go out of his way to help a friend. He should be a success in everything that he undertakes.

RAY ALBERT GIBBS NEW ROCHELLE, NEW YORK

Civil Engineering 1947 Infantry
Varsity Football and Basketball (4); Monogram Club (3); Corporal (3); Private (4, 2, 1).

Ray is one of the better types of "Yankees"—but nevertheless a "Yankee." His boxing ability, personality, and his desire to "party" all day long have made him highly respected in the barracks. He is a monogram man in both basketball and football, and he is an honor graduate in R. O. T. C., thus making him quite versatile in both the military and the athletic departments of V. M. I. Ray looks forward to an engineering career and to a big family. Good luck, Ray, in the attainment of both your goals.

MONROE MEADE GREGORY, JR. RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1947 Field Artillery
Varsity Football (4); Officers of the Guard Association (2); Intramural Council (1); Richmond Club (4, 3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Supply Sergeant (3); Sergeant (2); Second Lieutenant (1).

If Meade isn't writing to the little woman, he is probably planning a party. He is easily persuaded to "come right in" when the boys are "pitching one," and he seems to prefer Mike's, The Mayflower, and Virginia Beach. "Get out of that bottle!" A true V. M. I. man, being First Captain of the "Floating University" for three years should give him a definite edge for the "man of distinction." Meade is a civil engineer and his experience in the Seabees and "Buzz's" able indoctrination will help him make his mark in his post-graduate endeavors.

EMMANUEL ONGSIACO GALLEGO, JR. MANILA, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Electrical Engineering 1950-A Air Force
American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Newmnan Club (2, 1); Academic Stars (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Army Club (3, 2, 1); Private (3, 2, 1).

Everything from eyebrows to anguished cries were raised when "E. O." first appeared on the hill—a lethal menace to all those within swing of his rifle manual. He compensated for his slowness in adapting himself to the "system" when he revealed "mystic powers" in differential equations. These powers were exercised in the many hours he coached his less gifted classmates, showing that he knew well the significance of the Brother Rat spirit. Manuel gained phenomenally in all aspects during his Institute career, and his class is far richer for having had him as a Brother Rat.

RAYMOND SAUNDERS GORDON SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Suffolk Club (3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Tidewater Club (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

There must be something about the old "Insti" that gets in your blood, for the "Flash" declined West Point for "the healthful and pleasant abode." The "Peanut City Kid" was an artilleryman while at the Institute, but he took his summer training with the engineers at Ft. Belvoir. After graduate school he plans to give some company a break and offer them his services . . . at a nominal fee.

JOHN WILLIAM HAGGERTY III WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chemistry 1949-B Cavalry
Polo Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Bomb Staff (4, 1); Ambassador Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Newman Club (3, 2, 1); American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1); National Speleological Society, Vice President (2); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Private (1).

"Hagg's" first love is horses and the second is chemistry. Having lived with three "civils" who are definitely not horsemen, "Hagg" has nevertheless made the best of the situation. You will find him in the stables or in the lab when the rest of the Brother Rats are at "Steve's" or the "T.Room." During RQ you can hear the soft guitar music emanating from his music box, especially that Christmas hymn, "Silent Night," which he renders on any and all occasions. John, a true marine brat, plans to get his commission in the "gyrenes" after graduation.



"Guy"



"E. O."



"Ray"



"Ray"



"Meade"



"Hagg"

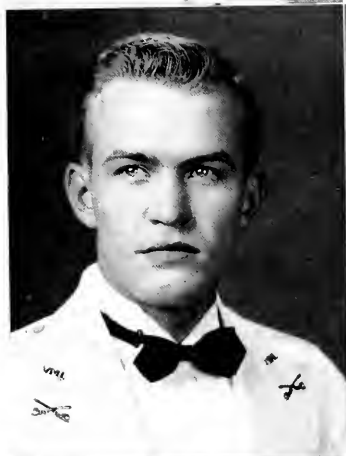
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Benjamin F. Harmon III



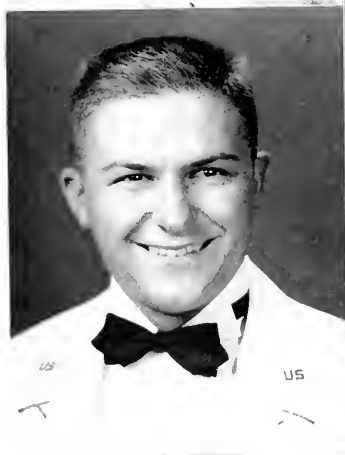
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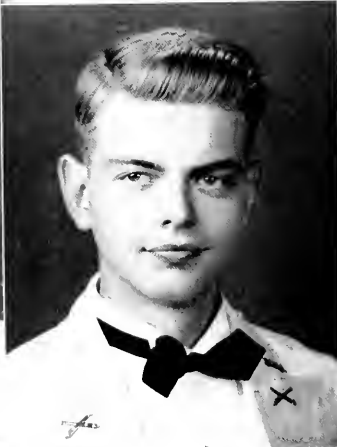
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Richard E. Hill



Alfred G. Hutton, Jr.



Robert S. Jeffries





BENJAMIN FRANKLIN HARMON III HAMPTON, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Cavalry

Horse Show Team (3, 2); Alfred P. Goddin Trophy (2); Cumming Meyers Trophy (2); Polo Team (1); Turnout Staff (2, 1); Bomb Staff (1); Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Canterbury Club (3); American Society of Civil Engineers (2, 1); Cavalry Troop (4, 3, 2, 1); Distinguished Military Graduate; Who's Who in American Colleges (1).

Surviving the rat line with a minimum of effort, Benny entered his third-class year as first ranking corporal, and he has been at the top ever since. Whatever the future holds for Benny, we know that he will tackle it with his characteristically enthusiastic manner. Benny started his third-class year as an Electrical Engineer, but he saw the light as a second classman and changed to "Civil." By hard work, he has made a record for himself that will excel for a long time.

JOSEPH HENRY HEIKER RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Cavalry

Varsity Football (4); Varsity Baseball (3); Glee Club (2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Supply Sergeant (2); Second Lieutenant (1).

"Well, boys, I'll get a letter tomorrow," and Joe camps in the post office again, waiting for a letter from his O. A. O. The Flying Squadron missed a good bet when Joe was injured in his first football game. Joe is following in his father's footsteps as an electrical engineer. His unending generosity and sportsmanship have won him many friends at V. M. I., and will win him many more in the future.

ALFRED GARDNER HUTTON, JR. LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1947 Infantry

Varsity Football (4, 3); Basketball (4); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Supply Sergeant (3); Second Lieutenant (3).

"Al" says he will never understand what prompted him to come to V. M. I. after living in Lexington all of his life. However, the record of his cadetship shows him to have been adept in both the military and athletic fields. "Al" looks forward to a life in the service of Standard Oil and to being married to "Ramona." His past record assures his future success.

JAMES ELMER HARRINGTON, JR. SOUTHERN PINES, NORTH CAROLINA

Chemistry 1949-A Artillery

Historian, Class of 1949-A; Honor Court (3, 2, 1); General Committee (3, 2, 1); Varsity Track (2, 1); Varsity Cross-Country (2, 1); Monogram Club (2, 1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Sports Editor, 1948 Bomb; Assistant Editor, V. M. I. Cadet (1); American Chemical Society (1); Private (4, 3); Color Sergeant (2); First Lieutenant (1).

"Mug" Harrington probably has a better knowledge of chemistry than any other man in barracks, because he has had more chemistry than any other man. As a result of this knowledge, "Red" is signing up for thirty years in the RA. He has been a writer, athlete, and politician during his cadetship. He has served on the Bomb staff, as historian of '49-A, and is a monogram winner in track. We predict that the Southern Pines "flash" will sometime be a "B. T. O." in the military field.

RICHARD EDWIN HILL LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force

Rat Wrestling (4); Varsity Wrestling (3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

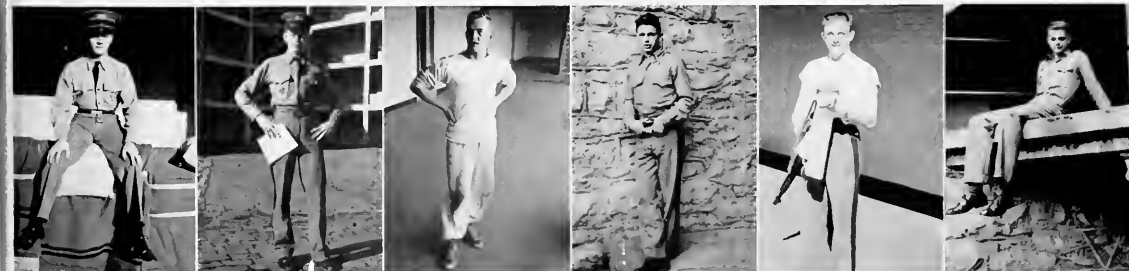
"Little Joe" started his cadetship with these words to his roommates: "I'm gonna' room wit youse guys." As one of "Uncle Buzz's" boys, Richard has the distinction of never bulling a subject. However, he hasn't been as successful along the military lines. Every week end was party week end for "Joe" and his cronies in 162, "Muscles," "Burr-head," "Roundo," and "Country." Rings and class pins were his weakness, and Lulu-Belle copped top honors by collecting three. After spending six weeks at "Langley Beach" he anticipates an equally enjoyable twenty-one months with the "Uncle" upon graduation.

ROBERT SEMPLE JEFFRIES BEDFORD, VIRGINIA

Chemistry 1949-B Field Artillery

American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1); Treasurer (3, 2); President (1); Cadet Staff (3); Assistant Track Manager (2); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Lynchburg Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Bomb Staff (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Hop Committee (1); Academic Stars (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1); Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities (1).

Always ready for a good time or a good laugh, "Jeff," the human P. A. system, is known for his journeys to the nation's capital. When not at V. M. I., he can usually be found at "The Gaiety" in that city. "Jeff" has always been partial to the "S. Y. T.'s," but he had trouble with one young lady (something disagreed with him that week end). One of Butch's prize products, he will do well in his chosen field.



"Benny"

"Mug"

"Nose"

"Little Joe"

"Al"

"Jeff"

The Class



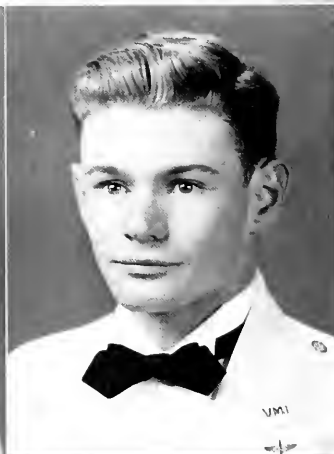
Joseph P. Johann



John W. C. Johnson, Jr.



Roderick W. Kallgren



Howard F. Kempself



Robert T. Lardon



Louis P. Layville, Jr.



of 1949-B



JOSEPH POWELL JOHANN RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Infantry
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Richmond Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Varsity Basketball (4); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

The "Creeper" is one of the "Holy City" boys who can find more "sack time" than seems possible. He is one of "Buzz's" civils who transferred from the infantry to spend the summer at Fort Belvoir. "Creep" likes the Southern climate and everything that goes with it. Joe will be remembered for his unflagging efforts to make all our parties and projects successful.

RODERICK WAGER KALLGREN NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Chemistry 1948-B Field Artillery
Basketball Team (4); Golf Team (1); Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); American Chemical Society (2, 1); Episcopal Choir (4, 3, 2, 1); Glee Club (3, 2); Academic Stars (4, 3); Bomb Staff (3, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Canterbury Club (2, 1); Private (4, 2); Corporal (3); Second Lieutenant (1).

"Replace that divot!" "I'll give you a two!" "Rod" has struggled manfully with the clubs and test tubes for four years. His monogram and academic stars show his success with both. While in the Army "Rod" spent a year in the Philippines. He remained a private for a year after returning from the service, but his military "genius" was eventually recognized, and he was promoted to second lieutenant. It must have been the "Breitie" haircut!

ROBERT THEODORE LARDON MIDDLE VILLAGE, NEW YORK

Civil Engineering 1949-B Infantry
Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); First Lieutenant (1); Leader, Dance Band (4, 3, 2, 1); Hop Committee (3, 2); Business Manager (1); Bomb Staff (2); Circulation Manager (1); Wrestling Team (4); Glee Club (4, 3); Cadet Staff (1).

In four years, "Modest" Bob Lardon has succeeded in becoming the most famous of all the Br's. Within the walls he is loved for his impromptu wit and extraordinary showmanship. Throughout the state he is known as the creator and leader of the finest college orchestra in the South. And finally, when the name of Lothario Lardon is mentioned at any of the surrounding girls' schools—especially the Sem, all the young hearts skip a beat. "Hotz" has lived in one continuous whirl of activity since New York got rid of him. With his finger in every barracks pie, no cadet activity has been without his valuable help. Businessman, musician, comic, and writer, the class could not have gotten along without him.

JOHN WALTER CARLYSLE JOHNSON, JR. CLIFTON FORGE, VIRGINIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Field Artillery
Southwest Virginia Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Glee Club (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Bomb Staff (1); Rat Wrestling Manager (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

In any group of Brother Rats having a good time, you're likely to find "Alphie," who gets along fine with everybody, despite the fact that he's likely to break anything he gets his hands on. Although he has his ups and downs in his love life, our fresh young lad from the mountains is usually able to handle them with aplomb. One of the youngest members of '49-B, Jack takes "Doc's" anatomy courses in his stride, and he is one Pre-Med who has a doctor's personality to match his ability.

HOWARD FREDERIC KEMPSELL GLEN COVE, LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK

Civil Engineering 1948-B Air Force
Cross-Country Team (2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Glee Club (4, 3, 2); Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Canterbury Club (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Episcopal Choir (4, 3, 2, 1); Bomb Staff (2, 1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3, 2).

Although a Yankee at heart, the "Goose" is beginning to show the effects of the life in the easy-going South. First he decided to be a civil, then, after returning from the service, where he had it rough in the "chair corps," "Goose" again chose the path of least resistance by joining the innumerable first class privates of "D" Company. A few months ago his river of mail from Williamsburg ran dry; since then, Howard has been playing the field, armed with a slightly used miniature. We feel that Howard's good nature will continue to bring him success and friends elsewhere as it has here.

LOUIS PARKERSON LAVILLE, JR. PLAQUEMINE, LOUISIANA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Field Artillery
Louisiana Club (4, 3); Deep South Club (4, 3); Newman Club (3, 2, 1); Vice President (2); President (1); Assistant Manager Baseball Team (2); Intramural Manager (1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Distinguished Military Graduate; Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2).

"Doc" came up from the swamps of Louisiana to join the Class of 1949-B. His presence has added much to barracks life. "Doc," a high-living pre-med, is never known to miss a good time when "the boys" get together. It is even rumored that he has on occasion managed to get the best of "Butch." "Doc" expects to continue his studies in medicine at Tulane next fall, so we can count on him to be back for every class reunion. "Doc" leaves behind a record of thoughtfulness, dependability, and sincerity which his friends will never forget.



"Creep"

"Alphie"

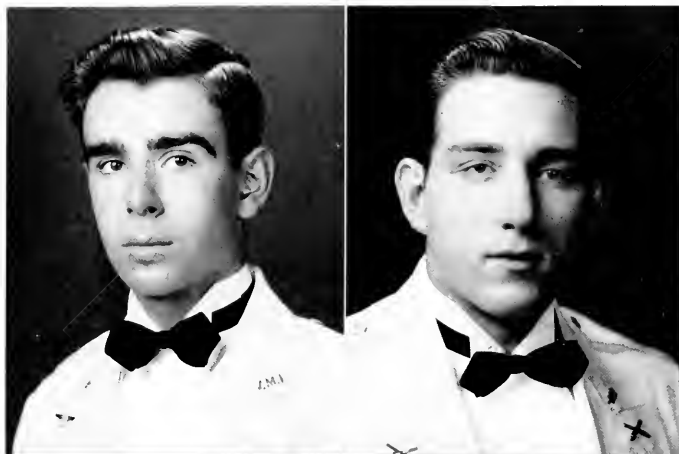
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"Hotz"

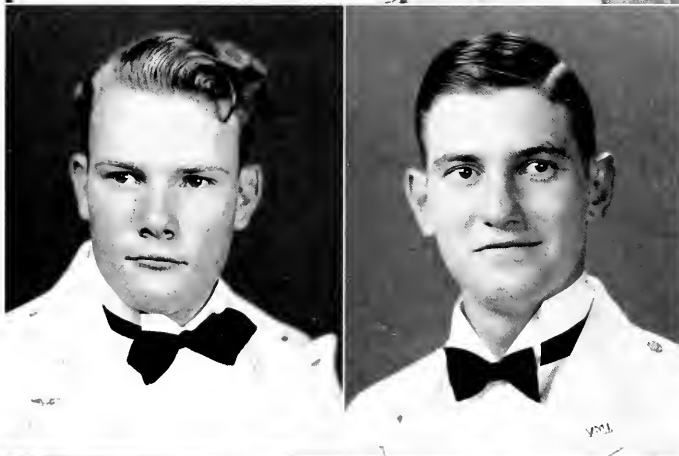
"Doc"

The Class



Frank J. Lawson III

Luther M. Lewis, Jr.



Frank A. Liddell, Jr.

Charles H. Locher III



James L. Mallard

Waldo B. Marshall II





FRANK JARVIS LAWSON III NEWBURGH, NEW YORK

Liberal Arts 1948-B Air Force
Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); International Relations Club (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

Frank gained his fame at V. M. I. in 1947 when he roomed with Ofus Slayton. Whether he has recovered or not is a mute question, but as a Liberal Artist he has brought each day to a slumbering close, tired but full of knowledge. Frank's greatest joy has been poring over forgotten volumes of Culbertson and Goren as anyone who has played bridge with him knows. An ardent patron of the arts, Frank's courtly manner should assure him of a successful career as a member of the bar.

FRANK AUSTIN LIDDELL, JR. HOUSTON, TEXAS

Chemistry 1949-B Air Force
American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1); Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Cadet Staff (3); Turnout Staff (2); Humor Editor, 1949 Bomb; Texas Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Monogram Club (2, 1); Cross-Country Team (2, 1); Wrestling Team (4, 3); Track Team (3, 2, 1), Captain (1); Private (4, 3, 1); Corporal (2).

Frank, another Texan, is known throughout the Southern Confederence as the man with the leather lungs. "Racehorses" is noted for his accomplishments on the cinders, but among his Brother Rats he is famous for his friendliness, cheerfulness, and "gee-tar" playing. Frank is always ready to defend the honor of his home state, the Republic of Texas.

JAMES LESTER MALLARD GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

Liberal Arts 1950-A Infantry
Army Club (3, 2, 1); International Relations Club (2, 1); Westminster Club (3, 2, 1); Lectern Club (2, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Private (1).

Jim Mallard's friends, and in these he can count all who know him, are convinced that the Mallards of Greensboro are indeed a warrior clan. After 35 months of infantry combat, Jim decided upon an Army career. His qualifications are numerous; he's one of those rare individuals who show that the words "military" and "chicken" are not synonymous. Not to be overlooked are the many hours of his cadetship that "Dagger Dan" devoted to throwing a bayonet into the guardroom door, in preparation for the "big push."

LUTHER MORELL LEWIS, JR. ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA

Liberal Arts 1949-B Field Artillery
Louisiana Club (4, 3), Treasurer (3); Deep South Club (4, 3); Varsity Football (4); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); Wrestling Team (4, 2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

"Earthmole" is making college pay off in a big way. Willing to sell just about anything from garters to steak sandwiches for the sake of his wonderful "Fat," "Earth" has not once stepped upon the toes of the powers that be, and has amassed a small fortune in his various enterprises. A past master at bridge, and the co-introducer of "Bou-Rei" at the Institute, "Mole" has never let his Liberal Arts activities interfere with his education. His resourcefulness and initiative, backed up by the little woman's firm hand, will carry him to great heights in the business world.

CHARLES HUNTER LOCHER III GLASGOW, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1948-B Air Force
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Episcopal Choir (4, 3, 2); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

It was a bright and sunny day when "Al" ducked his head to get under Washington Arch back in June, 1944. Young Charles, at the age of 18, left V. M. I. to render faithful (?) service in the Army after completing the first half of his second class year. After his discharge, he returned to the four grey walls to pick up where he left off. A good head filled with plenty of common sense will take "Al" a long way in any of his undertakings.

WALDO BROWN MARSHALL II FRONT ROYAL, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Methodist Club (4, 3, 2, 1), Treasurer (4), Secretary (3), Vice President (2), President (1); Ambassador Club (4, 3, 2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Northern Virginia Club (1); Assistant Football Manager (3); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Bomb Staff (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

Marshall, W. B.—Want an argument?—Just drive around to "Buddy's" room. He is always ready. Free advice on how to get a date, or not to get one, is also available. Waldo is a very active member of church organizations and attends all conferences where lovelies are present. A true civil, "Buddy" hopes to attend graduate school, and then to work in Northern Virginia. "Buddy" is never too busy to overlook either a party or a woman.



"Mickey Mouse"



"Earthmole"



"Frank"



"Al"

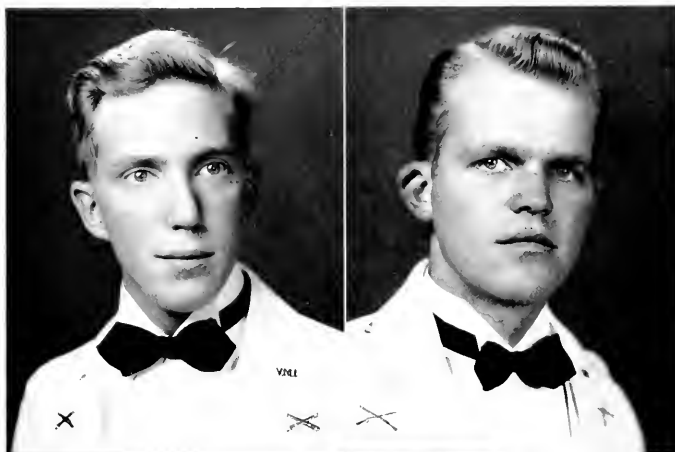


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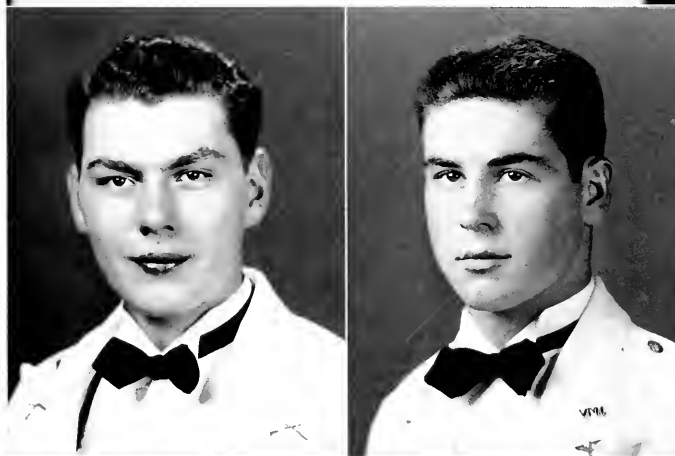
"Buddy"

The Class



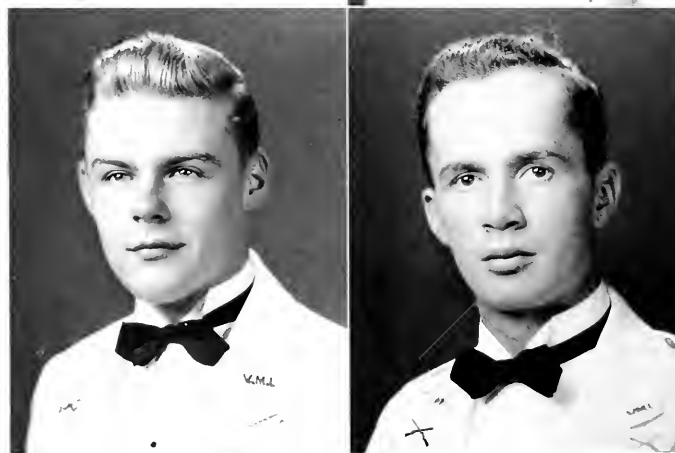
Samuel C. Marty, Jr.

Vaughn L. Maxwell, Jr.



Edward J. Mead

James F. Morgan



Benham E. Morriss, Jr.

Dana A. Murphy, Jr.





SAMUEL CLINTON MARTY, JR. KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Pre-Medical 1949-B Field Artillery
Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

Here is a man who was born five minutes late and who never quite made up that time. If "blowing one's own horn" is a necessity for success, Sam will never reach the heights of fame; however, his industriousness, keen sense of values, and strong belief in convictions are deep-rooted virtues which will be remembered by those who know him. Intensive interest in sports and music, particularly the Glee Club, occupy most of his spare time. Let's go, Sam, "Shake-a-leg" is long gone.

EDWARD JAIRUS MEAD CLEVELAND, OHIO

Chemistry 1949-B Infantry
Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1); Hop Committee (1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Treasurer (2); Advertising Manager of the Bomb (1); Academic Stars (3, 1); Private (4, 3); Color Sergeant (2); Second Lieutenant (1).

Never at a loss for words, "Whale" (a nickname gained by his fullback proportions), is ready and eager to expound at great length on any subject at any time. His friendliness and wit are known well by all his Brother Rats, and he has used these qualities to best advantage while financing his way through V. M. I. with various business ventures. An excellent student, an ingenious money-maker, and a loyal friend, not even "The Angel of Barracks" could afford to lay odds against him in post-graduate life.

BENHAM EPES MORRIS, JR. NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Cavalry
Academic Stars (4, 3, 2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Executive Board (1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Cross-Country Team (2); Richmond Club (3, 2); Hop Committee (1); Co-Advertising Manager, 1949 Bomb; Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

"Bo" "Dollar Signs" Morris was born with the idea of making a million dollars and spending it all having a good time. Although "Bo" wears academic stars and almost always has to show the members of his section how to cope with the intricacies of E. E. he spends a large part of his time in extra-curricular activities. "Bo" will be outstanding in any field, but we know that no matter how high he may go, he will always be able to find time for a pal or a party.

VAUGHN LEON MAXWELL, JR. AUGUSTA, GEORGIA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Infantry
Deep South Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Methodist Club (4, 3, 2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Monogram Club (2, 1); Golf Team (2, 1); Captain (1); Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities (1); Class Historian (3); Class Vice President (3); Class President (2, 1); General Committee (3, 2, 1); Honor Court (3, 2, 1); President of Honor Court and General Committee (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Color Sergeant (2); First Lieutenant (1); First Captain (1); Distinguished Military Graduate.

Coming to us from the Empire State of the South, where he was teetted on a putter, "Shaggy" dubbed his way to golfing supremacy on Virginia's intercollegiate links. Leading his class and the Corps has been no easy job, but Vaughn, friendly, tactful, and untiring in his efforts, has gained the admiration and sincere appreciation of every cadet. Whatever the future may hold, we know that with his remarkable ability to handle people he will continue his fine record.

JAMES FRANCIS MORGAN ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Wrestling Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Track Team (3, 2, 1); Cross-Country Team (2, 1); Ambassador Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Bomb Staff (2, 1); National Speleological Society (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

"Sir, may I ask a question?"—and the "Crew Chief" is off again. Craftsman extraordinary, "faux pas" master, wanderer of the woods; all are aptly descriptive of Jim's well-rounded life at the Institute. His shipwreck on the Nile has left a lasting impression on the minds of his Brother Rats, and surely no one can forget his "taming of the pack rat" in public speaking class. The "Chief" has no immediate plan for the future, but his optimism and spirit will carry him through.

DANA ANDREW MURPHY, JR. NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1947 Infantry
Varsity Football (4); Monogram Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Hop Committee (1); Barracks Electrician (1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Tidewater Club (3, 2, 1); End Man and Director, "Merry Monogram Minstrels" (1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3).

Dana, better known in barracks as "Soft-Spoken," is proudest of the fact that he has managed to skip guard duty this term. Because of his affairs in Baltimore and New Orleans, he is well acquainted with the Eastern Seaboard. As a director of "Club 142," "Murph" is never without a tale about the tugboat he served on while in the Navy. Despite his extensive training as a posthole digger, we are sure that he will do well in his chosen profession of Electrical Engineering.



"Sam"

"Shaggy"

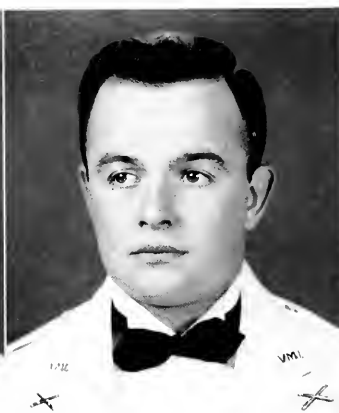
"Whale"

"Crew Chief"

"Bo"

"Murph"

The Class



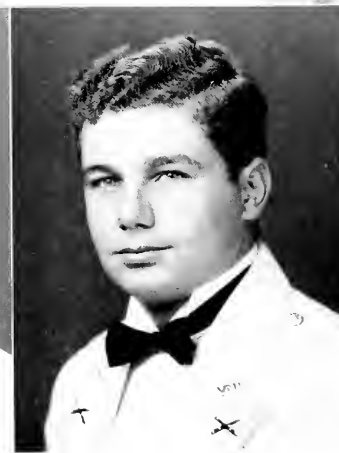
Neil G. Nelson

William M. Noftsinger



Grover C. Outland, Jr.

D. Henry Overton, Jr.



Nelson T. Overton

Charles R. Pack





NEIL GREGORY NELSON RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Cavalry
Varsity Football (4); Hop Committee (2); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Secretary (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (3, 2); Second Lieutenant (2, 1); Captain (1).

"Greg," though a Liberal Artist at heart, was side-tracked into the E. E. Department, where he has done very well. "Greg" is also called "Birdlegs", and the reason for this name, as well as the reason for his preference for horse cavalry, is quite obvious to his friends.

He was out for football in his Rat year, but has confined himself to intramurals since then. "Greg" is a good mixer and a fine example of the V. M. I. citizen soldier.

GROVER CLEVELAND OUTLAND, JR. NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Liberal Arts 1949-B Field Artillery
Football (4, 3); Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Lectern Club (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Intramural Manager (3); Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); Monogram Minstrel (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

Par---ty!! When this word is heard, you can be sure that the "good Clab" is somewhere around. Hailing from Norfolk, "Clab" hit V. M. I. in July of 1945, and promptly proceeded to make friends with everybody. As one of Pooley's boys he earned his monogram, needless to say, through "blood, sweat, and tears." On the sober side, however, "G. C." is a good friend and a swell guy, whether it be at a party or in a poker game.

NELSON TILGHMAN OVERTON NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA

Liberal Arts 1949-B Infantry
Varsity Track (3); Historian, Class of 1949-B (3); Vice President (2, 1); General Committee (3, 2, 1); Honor Court (2, 1); Second Class Finance Committee (3); Bomb Staff (1); Lectern Club (3, 2, 1); Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Academic Stars (2, 1); International Relations Club (1); Distinguished Military Graduate; Private (4, 3); Sergeant (3); Second Lieutenant (2, 1); Captain (1).

Nelson is probably the only cadet in the history of the Institute who was more "running" as a third classman than as a rat. He was intelligent enough to win academic stars, which enabled him to journey home at least once a month to visit a certain young lady.

"Nelly," besides bearing the responsibilities of a "zebra," was active in many time-consuming extra-curricular activities, especially those of a hay-hound. His pleasing and likeable personality will enable him to get along well socially and in business.

WILLIAM MARTIN NOFTSINGER RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-A Field Artillery
Varsity Football (4, 3, 2, 1); Varsity Track (3, 2); Varsity Basketball (4); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); Richmond Club (4, 3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

"Noft" first entered the gaping maw of Washington Arch on February 19, 1945. He has been trying to get back out ever since. His four-year struggle has finally been rewarded with success, which he attributes mostly to good luck charms—partly to hard work. Bill played in every football game of his cadetship, but still found time to deal with bombs and block-running. His pleasing personality should be an asset to him after graduation; it has won him many friends at V. M. I.

DOLPHIN HENRY OVERTON, JR. SHELBY, NORTH CAROLINA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Cavalry
Glee Club (4); Bomb Staff (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 1); Sergeant (2).

Here's a pre-med who hails from the Tar Heel state. Henry's presence here has added much to barracks life. He has fastened nicknames on almost all his classmates. He doesn't claim his first name, but he bears it with the same good humor that enabled him to keep his broad grin under "Butch's" biting sarcasm. Henry's easy-going manner and keen wit have made him very popular at the Institute.

CHARLES RANDALL PACK RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Varsity Football (4); Varsity Baseball (2, 1); Richmond Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Secretary (2); Glee Club (2, 1); Bomb Staff (1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

"Now wait a minute, boys—that report is not necessarily correct. What say we look at it this way..." And that famous Blue-Book lawyer is at it again. Eight months and forty pounds after "Bruno" came to Lexington he emerged a mere shadow of his former self. He soon made up for this deficiency; in fact he ran excess in his first class year. Struggling through rat football he then came to grips with the Electrical Department, after proving his L. A. ability by writing an essay entitled "Quack Quack" by C. R. Pack. "The Bean's" fine sense of humor, will undoubtedly gain him many friends after graduation.



"Greg"

"Noft"

"G. C."

"Dolphin"

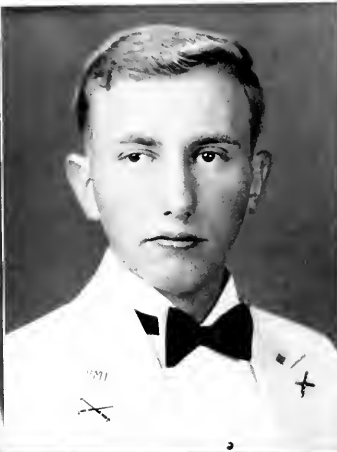
"Nelly"

"Bruno"

The Class



Vernon W. Patterson, Jr.



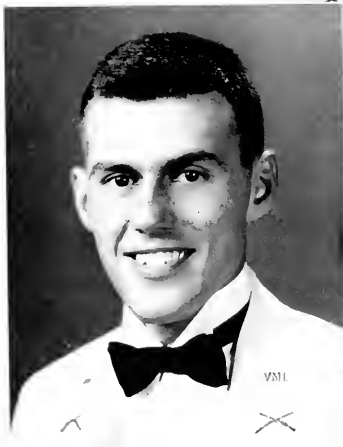
James L. Patton



Phillip D. Payne III



James C. Pringle, Jr.



Charles E. Rammel



Richard H. Rawles, Jr.



of 1949-B



VERNON WILLIAMS PATTERSON, JR. CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

Civil Engineering 1946 Field Artillery
Presbyterian Club (2, 1), President (1); Intramural Council (2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1), Vice President (2), Executive Committee (1); Private (4); Sergeant (3); Sergeant Major (2); Captain (1).

"Pat" was one of those who left the Institute to serve in the Army. While in the service of his country, he received the Silver Star. "Apples" has made a profound impression upon his "academic Brother Rats." He laughs heartily at a good joke, even if the joke is on him. Only those witticisms which attack the honor of the sovereign state of North Carolina find disfavor in his eyes. A man with Pat's friendliness and intelligence can't go wrong.

PHILLIP DANDRIDGE PAYNE III LOVINGSTON, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Turnout Staff (2); Glee Club (2, 1); Lynchburg Club (2, 1); Baptist Student Union (4, 3); Academic Stars (4, 2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2).

"Ickus" strolled into V. M. I. singing "Pistol Packin' Mama," and four years later he still sings "Pistol Packin' Mama." Never one to be excessively running, P. D. has bent his major efforts toward becoming a Civil Engineer, and sleeping. He has been very successful in both, although his "eyes-open" sleeping is quite deceptive. We somehow feel that "Spider" will always be around for a quick rubber, a class party, or to give us a little poop on the problem for tomorrow. The world will find those V. M. I. academic stars mean much more than just "book-larnin'," in Ickus's case.

CHARLES EDWARD RAMMEL ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Infantry
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1), Secretary (3), Vice President (2, 1); Track and Cross-Country Team (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1), Vice President (1), President (1); Bomb Staff (1); Cadet Staff (1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3).

Straight from the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce "fast chattin' Chazz" talked his way in and out of seventh ranking corporal in the third class year. Charlie is known to have pushed off more demerits on his roommates than any other man in barracks. But there is one thing you can't take away from Charlie; he's a hard plugger. For four years he worked hard on the track team; his form was perfect, but he just stayed in one place too long. Whatever he may do, or wherever he may go, there will always be plenty of laughs around our boy "Burr-Head."

JAMES LEWIS PATTON FALLS CHURCH, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Canterbury Club (3, 2, 1); Ambassador Club (4, 3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Bomb Staff (4, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Academic Stars (2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

Since we first met "Ding" four years ago, we have learned that he is a true friend, always ready to pass on a little kindness, either with a helping hand or with a song. We respect his determination and his steadfastness which earned him his academic stars and other honors, and we believe that these qualities will aid him as much in later life as they have in the past. We will miss his smile and his song, but we will not forget them.

JAMES COPELAND PRINGLE, JR. THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Air Force
Academic Stars (4, 2); Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1), Co-President (1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Golf Team (2, 1); Monogram Club (2, 1); Phillip H. Killey 1941 Award; Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2).

Jim descended upon the Institute from Georgia with great fan-fare, and at once started taking part in many activities. He has amazed all by consistently taking first stand in Pre-Med while being a member of "B. D.'s" golf team. Jim is always close to par, but never satisfied; he became a member of the Glee Club, and all his roommates can verify his ability as a singer. As one of "Doc's" boys, he will go far in the medical profession. With his brilliant Academic abilities and his wonderful way with people, he is sure to succeed.

RICHARD HOLLAND RAWLES, JR. SUFFOLK, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Suffolk Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Assistant Baseball Manager (2), Manager (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

One would think that after being "peanut born" and "peanut bred," he would have grown tired of peanuts; but "Dick's" case is quite to the contrary. Although he is one of the "big eleven" who took artillery at the Institute and forsook the 105's in favor of the Corps of Engineers and Fort Belvoir, he is still partial to the Navy where service is concerned.



"Pat"



"Ding"



"Ickus"



"J. C."



"Burr-Head"



"Dick"

The Class



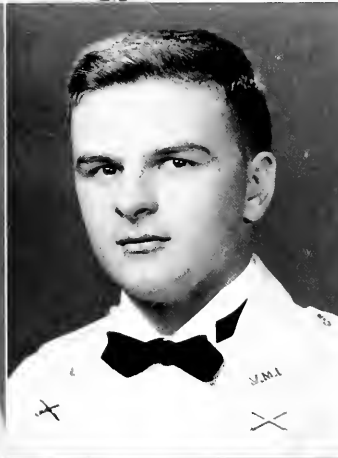
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William M. Shelley



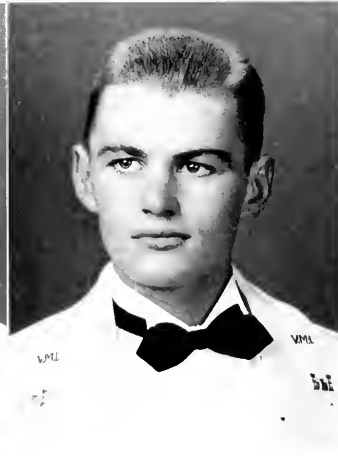
James W. Shepherd



Daniel G. Smaw



H. Pellham Smith, Jr.



Leo E. Soucek





WALTER CAMERON ROBERTS, JR. ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

Chemistry 1949-B Air Force
Rifle Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Methodist Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Ambassador Club (4, 3, 2, 1); American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1); Cross-Country Team (2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3).

A loyal supporter of his home town of Alexandria, Cameron claims that the nation's capital is located in its suburbs. The "Big C" is well-known for the amazing tales he tells about his hop week ends. Graduating as a veteran of "Richie's rat line," he is reputed never to have been stumped by a laboratory problem, though some of his blackboard sessions left him proclaiming the merits of the chicken feed business. Cameron appreciates a good joke on a Brother Rat, but when the chips are down, you can always count on him.

JAMES WYLIE SHEPHERD BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Varsity Track (4, 3); Glee Club (4, 3); Deep South Club (4, 3, 2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Varsity Wrestling (3, 2); Junior Varsity Football Manager (3, 2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Second Lieutenant (1).

"Shep" came all the way from Birmingham to join '49-B. After four hard years of "Civil Strife," he has unconsciously learned to spell "Shepherd." This class character has the distinction of being the only keydet in history to play a practical joke on himself. We shall never forget how, as a member of the guard team, he answered a ringing telephone with "Attention, Attention in Barracks!" We shall remember his generous, likeable nature, for it will surely lead him to success.

HARRY PELHAM SMITH, JR. HAMPTON, VIRGINIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Air Force
Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Bomb Staff (1); Rifle Team (3); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

Pelham is one of "Doc's" hard working pre-meds who plans to become a dentist. "H. P." hails from Tidewater, Virginia, and girls from all over the state have felt his charms and winning ways. His excellent personality makes him well liked by everyone. Dependability, loyalty, and intelligence are the sterling qualities that make up his character. Graduation will be just another milestone on his road to success.

WILLIAM MILES SHELLEY ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Air Force
Deep South Club (4); Football Team (4); Methodist Club (4, 3); Academic Stars (4); Assistant Manager, Track Team (3); Assistant Trainer, Football Team (3); Class Historian (2, 1); Honor Court (2, 1); General Committee (2, 1); Chairman Second Class Finance Committee (2); Bomb Staff (1); Intramural Council (2, 1); Golf Team (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); First Lieutenant (1).

Here is one of those prize packages that grace the Institute with each incoming class. A combination of leadership, intellect, and a faculty for making fast friends, gave "Will" many responsible positions among his classmates. The "Son of the Sheik" was confronted with living up to a reputation and standard set long before him, but he came through with huge stacks of fan mail from nearby girls' schools. Out on the hill, "Rose Nose" ably maneuvered "Dog" company around by radar, with his bad ear turned to the battalion commander. V. M. I. sends to the medical profession a mighty good man.

DANIEL GRIFFITH SMAW NEW BERN, NORTH CAROLINA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Baptist Student Union (4, 3); North Carolina Club (4); Officers of the Guard Association (1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

The sovereign State of North Carolina blinked twice, wiped its eyes, and gave up its one and only "Smoe." Always one to give points to any team playing U. N. C., "Smoe" truly is "a Tarheel bred." After a bewildering first three days at the "Insti" in which he didn't speak to upperclassmen, Danny oriented himself sufficiently to find the P. E. and the Main Sinks; then went on to be an ideal rat. We'll always remember Danny for the groans he gave from his upturned hay, his terrific bridge game, and that championship doubles team, "Smoe and Clab."

LEO EUGENE SOUCEK DISPUTANTA, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Cavalry
Wrestling Team (4); Hop Committee (2, 1); President (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Academic Stars (2); Private (4); Corporal (3); First Sergeant (2); First Lieutenant (1).

Coming to the Institute from the town of Disputanta, Virginia, Leo quickly became one of our most popular Brother Rats. Although he has always been near the top of the class in academic standing, Leo has also been active in extra-curricular activities. He is one of the first to arrive at any party and usually one of the last to leave. We're predicting great things for this lad who is looking forward to a career in the Corps of Engineers.



"C"



"Willy"



"Shep"



"Smoe"

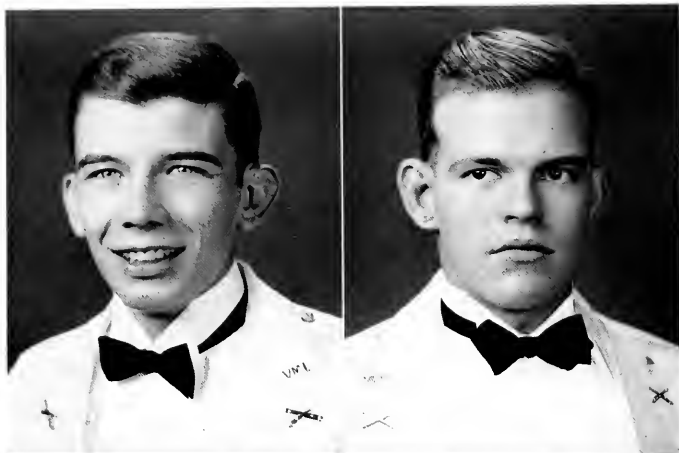


"H. P."



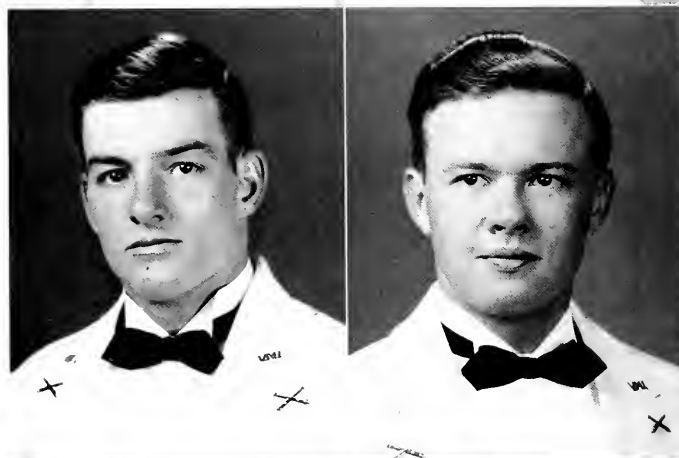
"Leo"

The Class



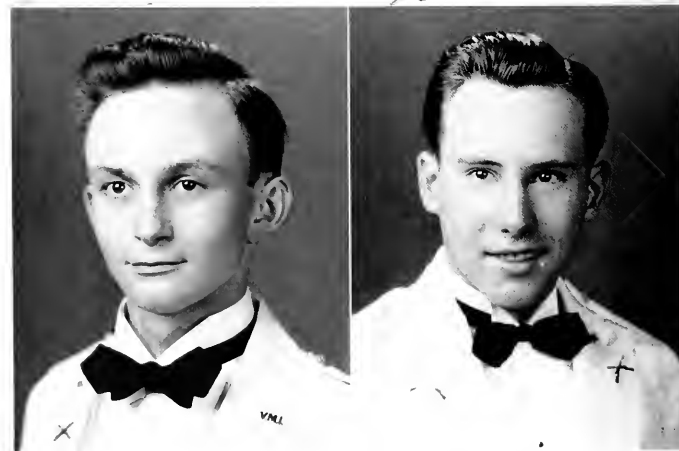
Joseph V. Spiller, Jr.

Selden H. Stephens, Jr.



George F. Stock, Jr.

Maurice Stockton, Jr.



William C. Stribling, Jr.

William W. Sweeney



of 1949-B



JOSEPH VINCENT SPITLER, JR.
LURAY, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Baptist Student Union (4, 3); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Ambassador Club (3, 2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Bomb Staff (1); Assistant Manager, Baseball Team (2); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Private (1).

"Vinegar Joe," the Luray lover, hails from the mountains of Virginia. Always light-hearted, friendly, and ready for a joke, Joe has provided many a joke for the Brother Rats, and has been the target for many jokes. His sense of humor and his willingness to lend a helping hand are his chief attributes. We feel that these two traits alone will insure success for Joe in his chosen field whether it be the R. A., industry, or graduate school.

GEORGE FERDINAND STOCK, JR.
HOLLANDALE, MISSISSIPPI

Liberal Arts 1949-A Air Force
Varsity Football (2, 1); Deep South Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

At four o'clock on February 19, 1945, "Big Stock" embarked on his eventful cadetship. With his happy-go-lucky attitude, George quickly won the friendship of all his Brother Rats. Very athletic at heart, he saved his ability until his first class year as one of "Slick's" tackles. George's most striking trait of character is his consideration for other people and this alone will undoubtedly win him many friends when he leaves V. M. I.

WILLIAM CLARKSON STRIBLING, JR.
MARKHAM, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Ambassador Club (4, 3, 2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Canterbury Club (3, 2, 1); Northern Virginia Club (1); Bomb Staff (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Battalion Sergeant Major (2); Second Lieutenant (1).

Coming from that mecca of Northern Virginia, Markham, we find the little apple king, Bill Stribling. Always the first with a corny joke, with odd noises and tuneless songs, the little man with the big voice has managed to keep his roommates in an uproar for the past four years. Since his infamous wrestling match against Sweet Briar in '46, Bill has been known as "Stud" Stribling, a reference to his superman build. "Junior" plans to spend his life either in the engineering field or picking apples in the orchards of God's country, Virginia.

SELDEN HARBOUR STEPHENS, JR.
MOBILE, ALABAMA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Field Artillery
Wrestling Team (4); Deep South Club (4, 3, 2); Officers of the Guard Association (2); Distinguished Military Graduate; Private (4); Corporal (4); Sergeant (3); First Sergeant (2); Captain (1).

Down in Alabama, Steve decided to put on a pair of shoes and come to "the healthful and pleasant abode." After the rat line, he decided to become a pre-med, and thereafter spent many Saturday afternoons with "Butch" and "Doc." Hard work earned him the position of captain of "Easy" Company. Steve's unassuming manner, and his faculty for keeping his education from interfering with his "sack time" smoothed his road at the Institute. His ability and friendliness should help him greatly in the medical profession.

MAURICE STOCKTON, JR.
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Deep South Club (4, 3); Newman Club (3, 2, 1); Cadet Staff (3, 2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Bomb Staff (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Second Lieutenant (1).

Wading out of the bayous of Louisiana to find that there were other places in the U. S. A. beside New Orleans, "Moe" has lived with three "Dyed in the Wool" Virginians for most of his cadetship. "Frenchie" has spent many of his week-ends at girls' schools teaching the poor unfortunate non-New Orleans girls the French customs and ideas. Like all good home town boys, "Frenchie" will probably return to the bayous country after graduation.

WILLIAM WHITNEY SWEENEY
LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Liberal Arts 1949-B Infantry
Varsity Track (3, 2, 1); Glee Club (3); Cross-Country Team (2, 1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Lynchburg Club (2, 1); Turnout Staff (2, 1); Academic Stars (1); Monogram Club (1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

We present "Willie" Sweeney, the "pride of Lynchburg," and the only man who can spend four years in a hay and still wear stars. Every man in the corps wishes he had a sister like Mary to keep him supplied with beautiful women. Outdoor, indoor, and cross-country track have kept him busy for four years, and, while winning his monogram, he's run in every race but the Kentucky Derby. For a friend "Swink" would lay down his Life, Time, and Fortune. With his good nature and ability to take life's knocks with a smile, how can he be stopped short of the top? Look out, girls, we're turning him loose in January!



"Joe"

"Fatsy"

"George"

"Frenchie"

"Junior"

"Swink"

The Class



Royce J. Tweedy



Charles B. Upshaw, Jr.



James M. VanHook



Frank C. Vann



Thomas B. Walker, Jr.



Alonzo J. Walter, Jr.





ROYCE JAMES TWEEDY LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Football Team (4); Lynchburg Club (4, 3, 2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

Here we have a character known simply as "Muscles." Behind this name lies a cadet unparalleled in the annals of the Institute. After four years of diligent study in Electrical, "Mus" can now turn on the lights unassisted. We'll always remember "the Cat" and his little "po'k chop" at Ring Figure, and as founder and first president of the Wall Club. All is not party with "Mus," however, for when the chips are down he can always be counted on for timely advice and a helping hand.

JAMES McNEILL VANHOOK SOUTH HILL, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Cavalry
Wrestling Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Monogram Club (2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Distinguished Military Graduate; Private (4); Corporal (3); Supply Sergeant (2); Second Lieutenant (1).

"Mack" came to us from the roaring metropolis of South Hill. Having entered the Institute with the rest of the Brother Rats on July 11, 1945, he rose through the ranks as a result of his diligence and leadership. He struggled four hard years on the mats with Sam Hellin and Sam Barnes to win his monogram in his second class year. Whether "Mack" follows his Civil education or turns into a thirty-year man in the regular Army, he will undoubtedly rise to the top.

THOMAS BURTON WALKER, JR. SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK

Electrical Engineering 1946 Field Artillery
Swimming Team (4); American Society of Civil Engineers, Executive Board (2); Vice President (1); Turnout Staff (2); Vice President, Yankee Club (1); President, Baptist Club (1); International Relations Club (1); Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (2); Captain (1).

If there were an exclusive list headed "These We'll Always Remember," among the foremost would be the name of gangling Thomas, bespectacled Tom Walker. With his eye for humor, his industry and study, and his military bearing and voice, Tom typifies all the qualities so desirable in a Brother Rat. Tom's feet are firmly planted on the ground, but they will never grow roots, for "Old Tom" is going a long way.

CHARLES BELL UPshaw, JR. ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Air Force
Bomb Staff (2, 1); Rifle Team (2); Pistol Team (1); Deep South Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Methodist Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3); Sergeant (2); First Lieutenant (2); Second Lieutenant (1).

"You lucky boy!" That is one of Chuck's pet expressions but those of us who are well acquainted with him know it is his way of displaying his amiability. Charlie is admired equally by those of both sexes and so far has been successful in "holding the score down" in the social world as well as in the organic laboratory. We'll miss Chuck with his witticisms, and we are confident that he will emerge successful in any tasks that he may undertake.

FRANK COCHRAN VANN CAMILLA, GEORGIA

Liberal Arts 1949-B Cavalry
Cadet Staff (3, 2); Bomb Staff (2); Associate Editor (1); Academic Stars (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Cavalry Troop (3, 2, 1); International Relations Club (1); Lectern Club (3, 2, 1); Deep South Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Methodist Club (4, 3); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

"Suh?" questions the Indian in the back of the class, and the "Camilla gorilla" is off again. Known to the faculty for his ability to "write the mostest and say the leastest," Frank is at home when correcting the "Snappers' English or teaching a class in motors. He could be found frequently, when a rat, doing exercises for "Wild Bill" at 0100 in the morning; when a third, in a terrific leopard skin which increased his ferocity ten-fold. His liberal instincts will make him a lawyer of the first order, if the Army doesn't get him first.

ALONZO JOSEPH WALTER, JR. NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Rifle Team (4, 3); Turnout Staff (2, 1); Cadet Sports Editor (1); Bomb Sports Editor (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Louisiana Club (4, 3); Deep South Club (4, 3); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3).

The door bangs open, in rushes a frustrated sports writer yelling, "Hey, Chief! Is 500 words enough?" and "Chauncey" is off to the fifth stoop. "The Chief" is a guy who will always be remembered for his undying interest in V. M. I. sports. "Ajax" is one of "Uncle Buzz's" Civils, but at heart he is a true flyboy. Uncle Sam's Air Force is getting a guy who will always pour his heart into anything he undertakes, and it's a safe bet that his interest in aviation will take him far in that ever-broadening field.



"Mus"

"Chuck"

"Mack"

"Frank"

"Tom"

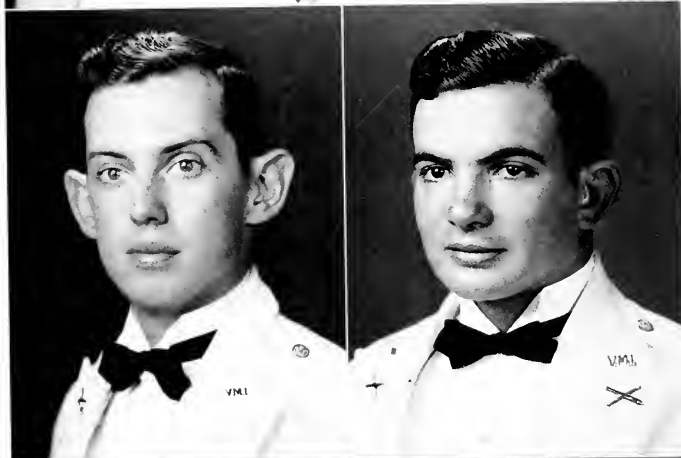
"Ajax"

The Class



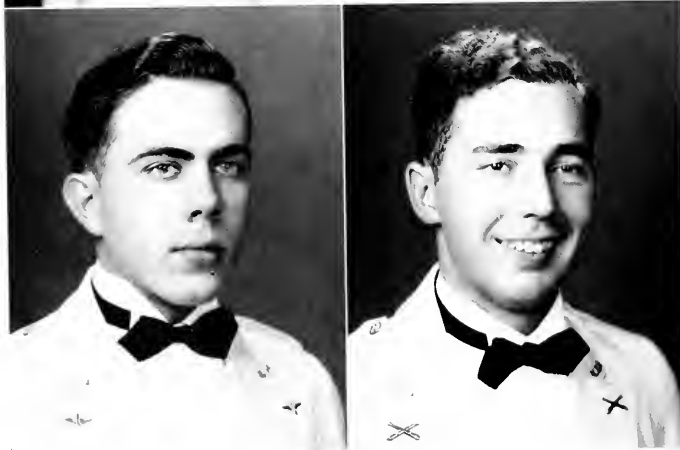
Charles P. Walther

Gerald L. Waterman



Edward T. Watling

Kenneth Watson, Jr.



Russel E. Weaver, Jr.

Jesse E. White



of 1949-B



CHARLES PERRY WALTHOUR
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Infantry
Tennis Team (3, 2), Manager (1); Bomb Staff (3, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Library Assistant (2, 1); Private (4, 3); First Sergeant (2); Captain (1).

"Stars Fell on Alabama," but definitely not on Charlie, for Charlie was attracted by the "hut, two, three, four" of the Institute. Charlie has done a great deal as a Battalion Commander to impress the military heritage of his Alma Mater upon all who have entered the grey walls of barracks. His Brother Rats expect to see Charlie high in the military counsels of the Army.

EDWARD THURSTON WATLING
MENDHAM, NEW JERSEY

Civil Engineering 1949-B Cavalry
Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Second Lieutenant (2, 1); First Lieutenant (1); Cadet Staff (3, 2); Alumni Editor (1); Bomb Staff (3, 2); Editor-in-Chief (1); Cavalry Troop (3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Yankee Club (4, 3); Secretary-Treasurer (2); President (1); Army Club (2, 1); Academic Stars (4, 3, 2, 1); Distinguished Military Graduate.

"Who owns these pistols?" yelled O. B. A quaking voice in the corner said, "Honest Ed Watling, sir," and "Wings" was off in his pursuit of fame at V. M. I. Both military and academic success come easily to this strapping Yankee. Ed organized his own religious sect that meets periodically in the Main Sinks and is a charter member of the Misogamist Club. After waving the "bloody flag" at delinquent members of the Bomb Staff he still finds time at 2300 to yell "Lights off." At work on the Bomb, Cadet, or academics, ability and industry have been his mark.

RUSSEL EDWARD WEAVER, JR.
POWHATAN, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1948-B Air Force
American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

"Bucky" was one of the first of his class to get rank at V. M. I.; on the first frosty morning of fall of 1944, he began to exercise authority over his fellow cadets by commanding the "Window Closing Detail." Things started working slowly on the academic front for the Powhatan Arrow, but, after three years, he reached the point where he was able to make the Honor Roll regularly.

GERALD LEROY WATERMAN
APALACHIN, NEW YORK

Civil Engineering 1947 Air Force
American Society of Civil Engineers Photographer (3, 2, 1); Turnout Photography Editor (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3).

Who would ever believe that "Iggy" was one of the most "chicken thirds" of his class? Surely not modest, unassuming, good-natured, "Iggy!" But "chicken" he was (ask any 48-A), and he still has it in him to assert himself when the occasion arises. "Iggy" has endeared himself to cadets and instructors alike since his return from the service by his cooperative spirit, his friendliness, his loyalty, and his conscientious attitude toward his studies and his duties.

KENNETH WATSON, JR.
LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA

Electrical Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2).

Here he is! The ideal American boy! "Ebah" is just the kind of guy you would expect to find in the Electrical Department. He is one of those fortunate characters who can keep up with the world situation, recite Shakespeare by the volume, out-hay-hound the hay-hounds, and still make the kind of grades that keep the home folks happy. This Electrical will go far in his chosen field provided the Army doesn't decide to make a General of him.

JESSE EDMUND WHITE
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Chemistry 1948-B Field Artillery
American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1); Tidewater Club (2, 1); Academic Stars (4, 3); Bomb Staff (3, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Color Sergeant (1); First Lieutenant (1).

Jeddy, as he is known to his friends, is one of the more conservative and quiet members of our graduating class. After making stars in his rat year, Jed surprised everyone by taking Chemistry and is now one of the top men in Butch's "Crip" Course. Since returning from the Service, Jeddy has been a loyal supporter of "F" Company, and if V. M. I. ever had a ping-pong team, he would make the Varsity.



"Charlie"



"Iggy"



"Ed"



"Ken"



"Buck"

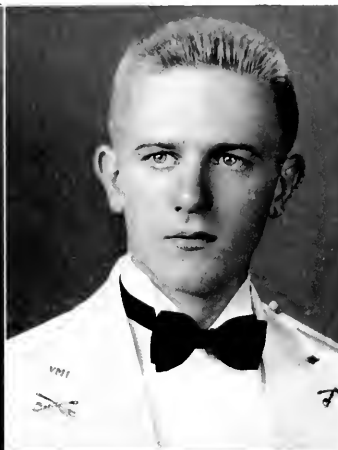


"Pete"

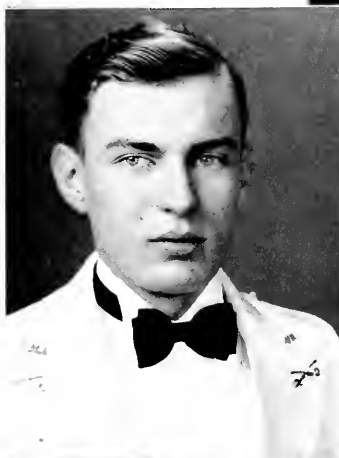
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Peter J. White



Walter R. Whitehurst, Jr.



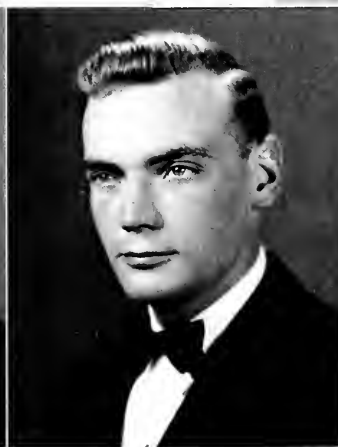
Donald E. Wilson



W. George Wolfe



Jack M. Burnett



Richard P. Burruss



of 1949-B



PETER JOHNSTON WHITE
SCOTTSVILLE, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3); Sergeant (2, 1).

Pete entered V. M. I. as a private and roomed on the first stoop. Four years later Pete left V. M. I. as a private rooming two doors away from his first home. What went on in those four years? Pete worked his way up to sergeant, had officers of the Institute watching his room in order to catch him with one of the "Mistoes," and lost all his clothing in a fire. Thanks to the lights in the Main Sinks burning all night, Pete graduates as a Civil Engineer.

DONALD EARL WILSON
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Army Club (2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

With a cloud of coal dust and a blackened windshield, Don blew in from Pittsburgh on that fateful summer day, a little late, but nevertheless here. His Rat year was spent looking for longer trousers and shoes that would fit him. After this, he could be found anytime in his characteristic pose with his feet on the table, chair tipped back, and reading. Best of luck, Don, in smoggy Pittsburgh.

JACK MONTGOMERY BURNETT
ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1945 Civilian
Basketball Team (4); Roanoke Club (3); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Air Force Association (2); Private (4, 2); Corporal (3); Civilian (1).

Jack entered the V. M. I. in September of 1941 and went into the Air Force during his third class year, in 1943. He served as a pilot in C.B.-I. until August of 1946, and returned to the Institute in September of that year. He was married to Bunny in 1944, and their daughter was born in August of 1946. His many friends in Lexington will miss him, but General Electric will receive a valuable man when he graduates.

WALTER RALEIGH WHITEHURST, JR.
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Cavalry
Private (4, 3); Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (2, 1); Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Bomb Staff (3, 2), Associate Editor (1); Cadet Staff, Alumni Editor (3), Feature Editor (2, 1); Canterbury Club (3), Vice President (2), President (1); Yankee Club (4); Episcopal Choir (4, 3, 2, 1).

When not shepherding the Canterbury Club, hiding from "Butch," discussing the errors of the First Captain, lecturing "Pinky," or helping in the editing of the Bomb, Walt is usually trying unsuccessfully to balance the books of that infamous collection agency, "W&W." In addition to his extra-curricular achievements, he has maintained a good scholastic average in the pre-med department—no small feat. Walt has been accepted for entrance in the University of Virginia Medical School and anticipates the day that he can write after his name, "M.D."

WALTER GEORGE WOLFE
BRADENTON, FLORIDA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Field Artillery
Wrestling Team (4); Deep South Club (4, 3); Hop Committee (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Assistant Varsity Wrestling Manager (2), Manager (1); Florida Club (2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Bomb Staff (3, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

George's cadetship has been marked by certain clashes with the powers that be, for example, Major Ax and "Discharging rifle from window, M. I.," but his innate good humor has always brought him out on top. George has always been an avid supporter of Brother Rat parties; he was particularly outstanding during the Easter Hops of 1948. He has used his training as one of Buzz's boys to good advantage, even managing to alter the structure of barracks to provide concealment for certain forbidden articles. We feel sure his personality and ability will carry him far after he receives that long-awaited "dip."

RICHARD PARKS BURRUSS
WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1945 Civilian
Football Team (4, 3); Track Team (4, 3); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2); Civilian (1).

Peek into the drawing academy some afternoon and look behind a drawing board, and you'll see a good-looking lad named Jim Burruss. Normally quiet and unassuming, he is V. M. I.'s contribution to the party system. No party at V. M. I. could be complete without Jim. He earned his monogram in football and served in the Army as a second lieutenant before returning to the Institute. His future holds California and beautiful women.



"Peter"

"Thusley"

"Don"

"George"

"Jack"

"Dick"

The Class



Webster M. Chandler, Jr.

Thomas J. King, Jr.



Thomas R. McNamara

Richard T. Spencer, Jr.



Kavanaugh Y. Thrift



of 1949-B



WEBSTER MONROE CHANDLER, JR.
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1946 Civilian

Glee Club (4); Circulation Manager, Turnout (2); Hop Committee (2); Vice President, Hop Committee (1); Chairman, American Institute of Electrical Engineers (1); Tidewater Club (4, 1); Supply Sergeant (2).

As we say good-by to "Web" Chandler, we send our good wishes with a friend who is in many respects "one-in-a-million." V. M. I. has yet to invent the course which could stump "Web." We feel that he would have been outstanding in any college, and we are confident that his future record will be a credit to V. M. I. Besides leading the honor roll, "Web" has been a mainstay in the many activities in which he has taken part.

THOMAS RANDOLPH McNAMARA
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1946 Civilian

Glee Club (4); Norfolk Club (4); Newman Club (3, 2, 1), President (2); Tidewater Club (3, 2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (1); Business Manager, Turnout (2); Private (4, 3); First Sergeant (2).

"Ol' Tom," presiding chairman of the P. E. coffee hour, teller of many Irish jokes, and respected philosopher, has proven by example that a smile and a liking for people are worth a thousand "max's." "Mac" is a star man, and the brains and brawn behind the Turnout. When the true friends and Brother Rats are listed, "Mac" will be at the top; for if unselfishness, loyalty, and the ability to think clearly are marks of a great man, then V. M. I. has another graduate to be proud of.

THOMAS JEREMIAH KING, JR.
ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Civilian

American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Polo Team (2); Academic Stars (2, 1); Hop Committee (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Civilian (1).

Some persons achieve academic distinction and are well known for their extra-curricular activities, but a combination of the two is rare. We find in "T-Jerry" such a combination. Recognized as a product of the "Magic City," it was only right that Jerry serve as interior decorator for the "Club 306." A ladies man from the start, Jerry ranged the valleys of Virginia in Jacksoneque fashion searching for the lovelies. No man of distinction could achieve more and still be a pillar in "Buzz's" Civil Department.

RICHARD THOMAS SPENCER, JR.
WACO, TEXAS

Civil Engineering 1947 Civilian

Baptist Student Union (4), President (3, 2); Texas Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Bomb Staff (4, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Bomb Photographer (2, 1); Cadet Staff (2, 1); Turnout Staff (2, 1); Private (4); Sergeant (3); Private (2); Civilian (1).

Texas born and bred, Dick looks the part with his lanky, 6'-3" frame towering over a pair of cowboy boots. He can always be counted on to defend his native state. As he is one of Colonel Marr's boys, he and his camera are considered prerequisites on any Civil trip. With his friendly disposition and brains, he should go far in his chosen field.

KAVANAUGH YANCEY THRIFT
CULPEPER, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Civilian

Northern Virginia Club (4, 3), Secretary (3); American Society of Civil Engineers.

Having been sufficiently propagandized by two older brothers, "Spike" arrived at the Institute in 1941 as a Brother Rat of 1945. After two years he was called to active duty along with most of the Brothers. He returned to V. M. I. in 1946, joined "G" Company, and began burning up the Civil Department. This year he attained the enviable status of civilian student. "Spike's" greatest asset is his ability to get along well with anyone. This, together with his capacity for hard work and his capability, will carry him far.



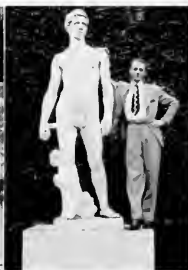
"Web"



"Jerry"



"Tom"



"Slim"



"Spike"

BROTHER RATS OF THE CLASS OF 1949-B REMAINING AT THE INSTITUTE



Thomas W. Altizer
North Tazewell, Virginia



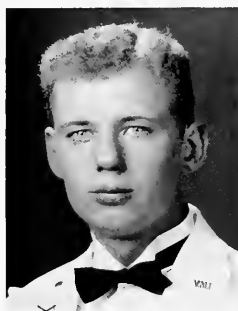
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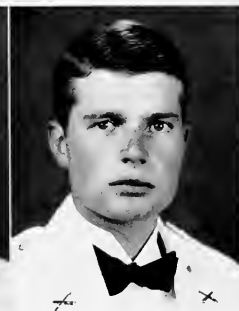
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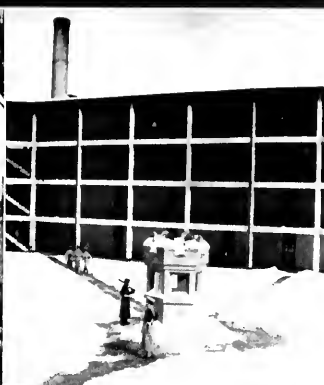


William W. Winfree, Jr.
Lynchburg, Virginia

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Jack A. Neunhoffer
Caracas, Venezuela

George B. Smith, Jr.
Lynnhaven, Virginia



1. Some people rate wives

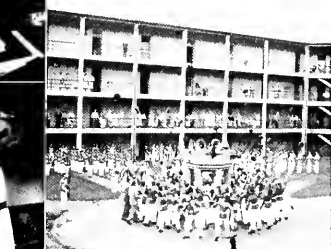
2. "Drill today will be on the stoop"



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3. V. M. I. Minks

4. "What's your name, improperly dressed?"



5. Chem lab

6. Auld Lang Syne

7. "I don't know, sir"



8. The last mile

9. Saturday night frolic



10. That couldn't be the mess hall

9.

HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF 1949-C

On September 5, 1946, a group of men returned to V. M. I. to continue their education which had been cut short by a mild case of world disaster. Many of them had matriculated four and five years before, and in 1946 were just beginning their third-class year at the Institute. The nucleus of the academic class that they were to enter had been formed the preceding March by a few returning veterans and some cadets of the class of 1949-B who had dropped back a half year for various reasons. So it can be said that the Class of 1949-C came into being in March of 1946.

Rapidly, perhaps too rapidly, the men were jerked abruptly back into the life of a military college. The regulations of the Institute, the rules of the Honor Court and General Committee, the art of studying, and even the bugle calls had to be learned over again. Many were the gripes that were heard that year, and not all of these complaints were unjustified. At night, the "sea" stories flew strong and thick, and fabulous tales of liberty and beautiful women were told. On their afternoon off, a good part of the class could be found at the "Hole-in-the-Wall," the "Dutch," and other fine establishments. All of these things, plus the academic and the other interests, gradually molded the men of '49-C into what was beginning to resemble a Brother Rat class. By the end of our third-class year a propensity was seen towards an organization, but still no definite action was taken.

Our second-class year started out with more of a feeling of normalcy. Everyone looked forward to the football games, and the hard earned week ends. Times moved along much more rapidly when you knew you were on your way out. The academic Class of '49-C did not participate, however, in the traditional ring figure as a group; it did not have the class parties and meetings that are so much a part of other classes. Christmas furlough—that blessed thing—came and was over before we knew it. The basket ball and wrestling seasons became the topic of the day for awhile and then came the long "pull" to summer furlough.

R. O. T. C. Summer Camp proved to be one of the most decisive factors in drawing the class closer together. The good times and joint training precipitated the organizing of the '49-C's into a pseudo Brother Rat class.

Soon after our first-class year started, a class meeting was held, officers were elected, and then the first resounding "old yell" was given for the Class of 1949-C. It was soon agreed that our class would be the ruling class of barracks for its last half-year at the Institute. Our chance at the wheel has not come yet, but, when it does, we know that we can handle the job commendably.

We feel that our class is composed of the most mature men in barracks. The respect with which the members of our class are held is evidenced by the fact that they lead or head most of the athletic teams and extra-curricular activities.

We hope that during our last year at V. M. I. the Class of 1949-C will mold itself into a true Brother Rat class and that its members will look upon each other, not in the sense of adoption, but in the true V. M. I. conception of Brother Rat.



1st Class Officers

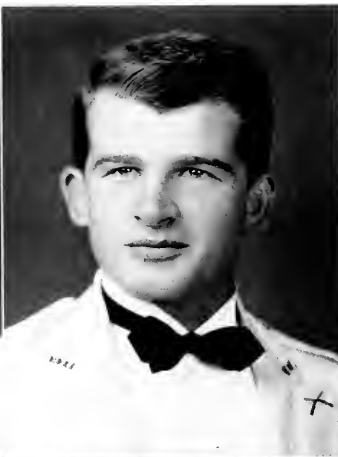
1949-C

- J. M. Hutchinson.....*President*
 J. E. Cobb.....*Vice President*
 R. H. Patterson, Jr.....*Historian*

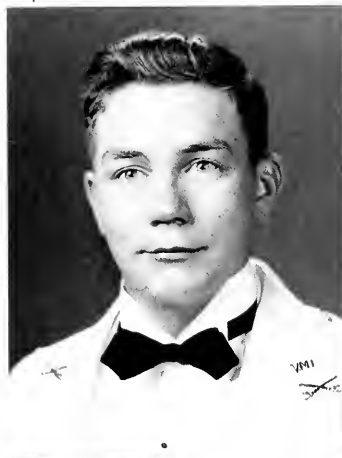
The Class



Laurence J. Adams



Maurice J. Allen, Jr.



James D. Ball



Ferrell W. Boyd



Harvey H. Bradley



Thomas L. Brooks III





LAURENCE JOHN ADAMS NORWALK, CONNECTICUT

Pre-Medical 1948-B Air Force
Private (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Newman Club (3, 2); Yankee Club (3, 2, 1).

Another Yankee that infiltrated southward, "Jack" left Connecticut to enter V. M. I. with 1948-B in order to begin study for his medical career. "Jack" chose to be one of the "all right, clean up" boys who day and night keep the Corps well supplied with those assorted smells that come floating on the evening air from the chem lab. Although recognized as a lad with academic talents, Jack never could convince his roommates of the value of his Monday morning quarterback decisions. However, from hearing him expound the theories of medical knowledge, they agree that another one of Doc's boys faces the future well prepared.

JAMES DAVID BALL CONNELLSVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

Pre-Medical 1948-B Cavalry
Football Team (4); Monogram Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Manager of Track Team (2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); National Spelilogical Society (3); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

June, 1944, found "Jamie" standing in the matriculation line at J. M. Hall for the first time saying, "Let's hurry up so we can go get a 'coke'." So began his cadetship. One of Doc's dapper Doolittles, Jamie is one of the few pre-meds who can come in, and with a smile on his face announce that "Butch just GAVE me a two." However, at the end of the grading period, his grades are as good as any others. Because of certain handicaps imposed upon him last year, Jamie was seldom off campus, but this year he is resolved not to run excess "demo's" and is doing very well. Though Jamie will be off to med school next year, we shall always remember his radiant smile, and magnetic personality, as well as the trips we took with him to learn "How to get along with women."

HARVEY HUBERT BRADLEY LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Cavalry
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Baptist Student Union (4, 3, 2); Glee Club (2, 1); Lynchburg Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3); Sergeant (2); Second Lieutenant (1).

"Harv" arrived from Lynchburg, and after a four-year struggle progressed from the "poor boy" status of selling fountain pens to the reknowned position of "the cheese sandwich magnate of the first stoop."

One of Uncle Buzz's boys, he is a hard working Civil widely known for his slide rule ability. Not only a supplier of good will and generosity (he's fed his roommates for three years), "Harv" is also known for his dry wit. "Harv" is a sash and sabre boy and shows high ability in all types of athletics. It's a sure bet that "Harv" will continue his way to success.

MAURICE JAMES ALLEN, JR. LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Infantry
Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (1); Rat Wrestling (4); Varsity Wrestling (3, 2, 1); Varsity Football (3, 2); Monogram Club (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Lynchburg Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Methodist Club (4, 3, 2, 1).

When the Class of 1946 matriculated, there was among them one young "stud" from Lynchburg. Yes, Mack Allen is the man. Mack worked and gained a berth on the "grappling team" three of his four years here. We might also say that this name, "Stud," stands for student, for Mack has been a good one. Most of us look on and admire his everlasting industry. These are all very fine, but we might add that as a party man he rates a superior. Here's one guy we're going to miss.

FERRELL WOODLAND BOYD BRISTOL, TENNESSEE

Electrical Engineering 1948-B Cavalry
Basketball Team (4); Private (4); Corporal (3); First Sergeant (2); First Lieutenant (1); Officers of the Guard Association (2); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (2, 1).

Alias "Specs," alias Simon La Boyd, the "C" Company slave-driver-traveler, student, ladies' man and continual complainer—breathes there no man who has more times said, "The E. E. Dept. did it to me again." However, lessons and women are two things that never bother Boyd. If you need that extra man for the card game "Specs" is always handy, or if you wonder where all your magazines are, look on "Specs'" table. But watch him, folks—his ambition is to make a million before he's 30 and loaf the rest of his life—and he just might do it, too!

THOMAS LEA BROOKS III VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA

Pre-Medical 1949-A Cavalry
Polo Team (4, 3); Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Regimental Supply Sergeant (2); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); First Lieutenant (1); Cavalry Troop (2).

Tom is a "member of the old guard," at least according to "Fufu." Quite often he has been extended the right hand of fellowship and still has recovered. Although one of the last remaining members of the Class of 1949-A in barracks, he is well bent on his way to graduation, despite being a pre-med. Since the loss of the horses, Tom can be heard at any time singing "Empty Saddles in the Old Motor Pool," or "Mess Hall Food is Horse Meat That I know." Much success Tom, be it in the U. S. Army or Dental School.



"Jack"

"Mack"

"Jamie"

"Specs"

"Harv"

"Tom"

The Class



James E. Cobb



John H. Coleman, Jr.



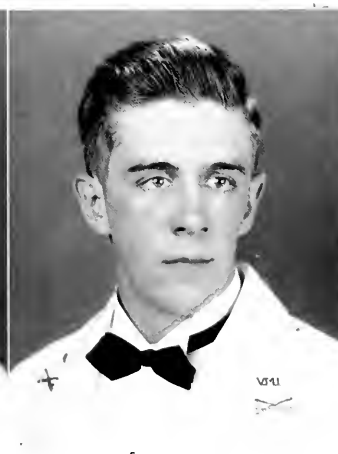
Thomas R. Cooke



John S. Crosswell, Jr.



Ira C. Crytzer, Jr.



Edward P. Davis



of 1949-C



JAMES EDWARD COBB BLYTHEVILLE, ARKANSAS

Civil Engineering 1946 Air Force
Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Captain (1); Rat Football (4); Varsity Football (3, 2, 1); Captain (1); Monogram Club (2, 1); President (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Honor Court (2, 1); General Committee (2, 1); Vice President 1949-C (1); Who's Who in American Colleges (1).

The day Jim matriculated at the Institute should be long remembered. After coming to V. M. I. from Arkansas, Jim soon showed his promise of future gridiron greatness by gaining a position on the Rat football team. After a tour of duty in the Army he returned to V. M. I. and joined the Class of '49-C. His success since his return is almost unparalleled. Besides being captain of the football team, he has been an officer in more clubs than can be mentioned here. An outstanding student, Jim has worn stars for three years. Jim's ability to earn and retain respect, plus natural charm, assure his success in the future.

THOMAS RUSSELL COOKE LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Infantry
Track (4, 3, 1); Lynchburg Club (3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Tennis (2); Cheerleader (2); Head Cheerleader (1); Turnout Advertising Staff (2); Library Assistant (2, 1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2).

"T" Cooke invaded the Institute in '45 and has established a well-deserved foothold in the heart of the Corps. Holding aloft the true V. M. I. Spirit, "T" as head cheerleader instilled in the Corps the love and spirit which he himself exerted. His graduation will mean the departure of an integral part of the V. M. I. barracks life, but his smile and sense of humor will be remembered by all of us and carry him far.

IRA CLAIR CRYTZER, JR. MANORVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Air Force
Football Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Basketball Team (4); Track Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1).

"Fritz" has already got the jump on his Brother Rats in starting a family. He's the father of a husky baby boy, who by the looks of him, will probably develop into as great a football player as his old man. In addition to his athletic prowess, Fritz is generally considered a "brain" in barracks. His intelligence, confidence, and personality will aid him greatly in whatever career he may choose.

JOHN HENRY COLEMAN, JR. LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1945 Infantry
Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Officers of the Guard Association (1); President, Lynchburg Club (1).

Johnny came to V. M. I. fresh from Lynchburg way back in 1941. As a rat and a "chicken," third he became known for his ability to run the block to see his Jane, of late his wife. The Army took him in 1943 and when he came back in 1947 he was a father of two lovely children. Since then he has been voted the man most likely to succeed in getting furloughs and permits approved to see his family. (Can you blame him?) A heart of gold and all the other amiable traits prove that Johnny is one of the best. His loss, however will be someone's gain, and then another takes his place in the ranks of proud alumni.

JOHN STOAKLIE CROSWELL, JR. HAMPTON, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1947 Air Force
Private (4); Corporal (3); First Sergeant (2); Captain (1); V. M. I. Commanders (4, 3, 2, 1); Varsity Basketball (4); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (2, 1); Bomb Staff (1).

"Woo, Woo" or "Jaw," as John is commonly known in barracks, entered V. M. I. in June, 1943, and has since grown in fame and fortune. He served a tour of duty in the Navy where his main achievement must have been the attainment of a very flourishing gift of gab such as only a swabbie can have. Returning in 1946, "Jaw" selected electrical engineering as his course of study and has since been burning all wires around Lexington and Farmville State Teachers College. "Jaw's" good nature and his ability for saying and doing the right thing at the right time will always be remembered by his Brother Rats.

EDWARD PARKS DAVIS LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA

Liberal Arts 1949-B Cavalry
Private (4, 2, 1); Football (4); Corporal (3); Assistant Manager, Basketball Team (3, 2); Manager (1); Intramural Manager, "C" Company (3, 2).

Eddie "pass the Beechnut" Davis is the acknowledged wonder boy and character in the brotherhood. Although Liberal Artists are notorious for their rough schedule, the "Hig," seems to manage to keep his appointments with the "Sandman" every afternoon. Eddie has proved his ability here as a leader by his excellent work in intramurals and in managing the basketball team. His extreme good nature and character have won him innumerable friends here at V. M. I.



"Jim"

"Johnny"

"Tom"

"Jaw"

"Fritz"

"Higgins"

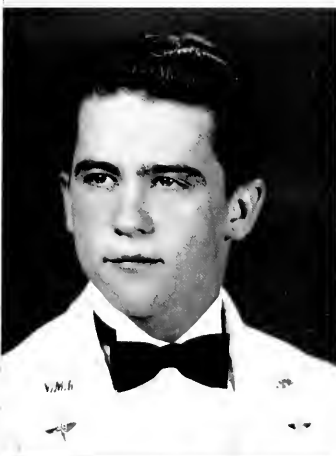
The Class



George W. Dooley, Jr.



Robert D. Ellett



Brewster I. Evans



Hugh M. Fain, Jr.



Maxwell C. Feinman



Paul S. Fleming





GEORGE WILMER DOOLEY, JR. LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Lynchburg Club (4, 3, 2, 1), Secretary (2); Intramural Manager, "D" Company (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Rat Wrestling (4); Varsity Wrestling (2, 1); Inter-Battalion Football (3); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2).

George Wilmer came to V. M. I. with a hostile attitude towards members of the fair sex, but after a few lessons from "Drop-Kick" Evans, Wilmer realized what he had been missing and soon became one of the boys. George has been a prominent figure in the intramural athletics and a member of the wrestling team. The high point of George's athletic career undoubtedly was the humiliating defeat suffered at the cruel hands of Junior McKenny. In the minds of his Brother Rats, George typifies the true Spirit of V. M. I.

BREWSTER IRVIN EVANS COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Assistant Manager, Football Team (3); Assistant Manager, Baseball Team (2); Manager, Baseball Team (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Deep South Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Varsity Wrestling (2).

Jack came to V. M. I. from Columbia, South Carolina, and because of his friendliness and sense of humor soon became one of our most popular Brother Rats. He entered the Civil Course in his third class year, and although he has never gained stars, he has never lacked for knowledge. Most of Jack's extra-curricular activities have centered around sports. He has been an excellent varsity wrestler and an important member of every intramural team representing "D" Company. Jack plans a career in the Air Force, and we are assured that his determination and ability will carry him to his goal.

MAXWELL CARLTON FEINMAN LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Air Force
Private (4, 3, 2, 1); Lynchburg Club (4, 3, 2, 1), President (2); Bomb Staff (4, 3, 1), Outrage Co-Editor (1); Cadet Staff (2, 1), Feature Editor (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1).

With a Gobbler and a Mink brother, "Roundo" saw the light and matriculated at V. M. I.; a decision he regretted for the next seven months, since he missed no General Committee meeting as a Rat. After an errant first term, Maw was to become the charter member of the Class of 1949-C. Getting off to a slow start, he has since become the top pre-med in his class. In his first class year he amused the Corps with his newspaper column "It's a Max," and as Co-Editor of the Outrage of the Bomb. With the help of God and a fast infield, Max will soon be a doctor.

ROBERT DOUGLAS ELLET LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Air Force
Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (1); Lynchburg Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Executive Committee (2); Assistant Manager of Football (2), Manager (1).

Our 1948 Football Manager matriculated with the Class of 1946. Since the day of his arrival, V. M. I. has been aware of his willingness to work hard and his ability to obtain results. Managing a football team is no easy job, particularly at V. M. I., but Bob has done a fine job. This amazing industry also makes itself known along the academic line. With these two big jobs to do one might wonder when Bob finds time to sleep. Well, have no fear, he does and so much so that he has been voted "Mr. Saneiman" of 1949 by his Civil class. Seriously, Bob's industry, conscientiousness, and good humor will go a long way toward his successfully obtaining any goal he chooses.

HUGH MCCOY FAIN, JR. BRISTOL, TENNESSEE

Civil Engineering 1948-B Air Force
Varsity Basketball (4, 3, 2, 1), Captain (1); Varsity Track (3, 2); Monogram Club (2, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Private (4, 1); Business Staff, Bomb (2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1).

The members of the Class of 1949-C will not soon forget "Mac" Fain. The energy and enthusiasm with which he has entered into all phases of barracks life has seemed inexhaustible. To those who have seen him at the "M. T.," his speed and endurance in track and basketball will always be a source of amazement. His battle cry, "It's Tea Time," will go down in history as the slogan of a true party man. A rare combination of ability and nonchalance should make him truly enjoy life.

PAUL STOCKTON FLEMING HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT

Civil Engineering 1947 Infantry
Private (4); Corporal (3); Supply Sergeant (2); First Lieutenant (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Editor, Annual Report (2); Chairman Executive Committee (1); Monogram Club (2, 1), Secretary and Business Manager (1); Swimming Team (2, 1); Turn-out Staff (2).

The big Swede accumulated a vast amount of G. C. cards during his Rat year; however, one of the "Semper Fi" boys, he and Vandegrift returned from the Pacific to wear their stars. Bored with reaching the crux in the scholastic field, Stock played King Neptune and won a monogram. Unknown to many, it was Stock who organized the Class of 1949-C. Here's one of the few who have consistently stood up for "Charlie" class's rights. His accomplishments and achievements have won the respect of the Corps.



"George"



"Bob"



"Jack"



"Annabelle"



"Roundo"



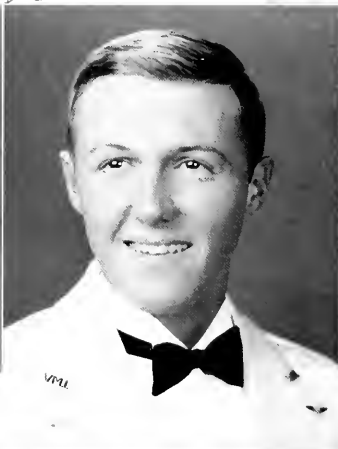
"Stock"

The Class



Daniel H. Forsyth

Haywood G. France



Robert J. Fretz

Alfred A. Green, Jr.



William C. Hayes

Robert E. Hempel





DANIEL HENRY FORSYTH PIKERVILLE, KENTUCKY

Electrical Engineering 1947 Air Corps

Private (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

Dan came to us in 1943 from the hills and coal mines of Kentucky. After a slight interruption, at which time he kept Uncle Sam's Navy aloft, he was back at the Institute with the purpose of burning up the E. E. Department. The Department still stands, but Dan has left his mark. Not only will he be remembered in the Academic Department, but also by all who had the privilege of knowing him. As long as he travels by bus or train, he will maintain his harem, and he will always be included in any party where the prerequisites are personality, fortitude, and the will and ability to keep going.

ROBERT JOHN FRETZ KENMORE, NEW YORK

Electrical Engineering 1948-B Field Artillery

American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4, 1); Corporal (3, 2).

"Has anyone seen my glasses?" a familiar cry to anyone rooming in the vicinity of "Bob the Blind Man." One could always know when he wanted to read his Kenmore weekly. Endless hours of slipsticking should make him an asset to any field he may enter and his magnetic personality, sincerity and sense of humor will win him many friends as it has his four years in barracks.

WILLIAM CLAIBORNE HAYES VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Cavalry

Private (4); Sergeant (3, 2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2); Cadet Business Staff (3); Bomb Staff (3, 2); President, Officers of the Guard Association (2); Academic Stars (3, 2).

"The Nose" is the Red, White, and Yellow personified. Few are the persons who would have given up so much for so little—it required character and "guts." Red had that character and with it a personality which has won for him the respect and admiration of all those cadets who ever had the privilege of knowing him. One of "Buzz's" more prodigious boys, he possessed those rare qualities of being a mental giant in the academic field but "ready in every time of need" to drop his books for a good party. Red is a type of man rarely found in our race; he has no enemy; his friends are innumerable.

HAYWOOD GORDON FRANCE CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA

Chemistry 1946 Field Artillery

Private (4, 3); Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (1); Officers of the Guard Association (2); American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1).

"Haywoodie" came to us from Charlottesville in September of 1942, and was one of the many who joined the E. R. C., to stay in college a little longer. Early in 1943 he left to join the fighting "F. A." In 1946, after spending one year as a "Wahoo," he heard the "call of the wild" and returned to the Institute. You would never know that he is a walking chemistry book, or in a more dignified language, one of "Butch's Brains." He is a staunch "E" Company man, and has participated gloriously in the intramural contests. He is well liked by all and we are sure that with his humor, intelligence, and good looks, he will go a long way.

ALFRED ANDERSON GREEN, JR. DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

Liberal Arts 1948-B Air Force

Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Golf Team (3, 2, 1); Captain (1); Cadet Staff (1); Florida Club (3); Private (4, 3, 2, 1); Bomb Staff (1); Monogram Club (1); Swimming (1).

June, 1944, marked a great month in the life of Alfred Green for that was the beginning of his career at V. M. I. After a brief vacation with the U. S. Navy, he returned in September, 1946, and really settled down to work. Achieving a remarkable success, he has captained the golf team and starred in all types of intramurals. This, of course, was in addition to academic success which has come to him very naturally. His plans include law school at the University of Florida and a subsequent career in law. We know he will succeed in this as he has succeeded in everything else he has done.

ROBERT ERNEST HEMPEL LITTLE FALLS, NEW JERSEY

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force

Varsity Track (4, 3, 2, 1); Cross Country (2, 1); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

"Sir, can we get off pledge?" and "H" is off on another week end. Hemp is just trying to forget the blunder committed when he wandered down from New Jersey to gain the benefits of a southern education at the Institute. Having received these benefits he prepared to install a few more by founding the Siberian Institute with evening meetings held in Club Crozet. With his strong determination and will to win, Bob is well prepared to set the pace in his next race. Stay loose, Bob!



"Dan"



"Haywood"



"Bob"



"Gross"



"Red"

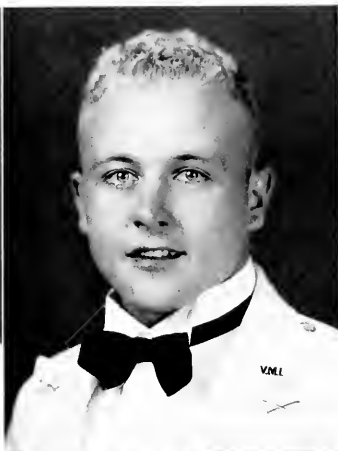


"Bob"

The Class



Clark M. Hening



Hans W. Henzel



John E. Holladay



Jack M. Hutchinson



Richard Y. Johnston



Maxmillian Lamont II





CLARK MORGAN HENING JEFFERSON, VIRGINIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Air Force
Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Captain, Rat Wrestling Team (4); Varsity Wrestling (3, 2, 1); Richmond Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); Distinguished Military Graduate.

Names like "The Paradise Room," "The Terrace," "Phi Gamma House," etc., will possibly be forgotten by most of us in a few years, but the little man who seemed to "shine" at all of them won't. Yes, the gala affairs missed by the "Roost" can be counted on one finger, and yet he has proved to us, by leading the "Barnstormers," that he can be serious. "Rooster" fears no one on the mat, yet one look from "Butch" makes him cringe. In spite of his one fear and his love of parties, we'll remember "Roost" as a gay, high-spirited Brother Rat who is bound to succeed.

JOHN EGGLESTON HOLLADAY GORDONSVILLE, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1946 Cavalry
Private (4, 3, 1); Sergeant (2); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Baptist Student Union; Bomb Staff (2); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1).

When "Eggie" came to V. M. I. with the Brother Rat Class of 1946, Gordonsville lost one of its most serious and inquisitive sons. For four years with time out for Paratroop duty in between, he has been asking the "Why's" in the rugged electrical engineering course until he received an answer that suited him. This determination is characteristic of John in his every endeavor. Whether at study or play he goes all out to master the technique to his own rigid satisfaction. A dry wit, becoming modesty, and likeable personality should insure him a successful career.

RICHARD YATES JOHNSTON ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

Liberal Arts 1946 Infantry
Private (4, 3, 2, 1); Roanoke Club (4, 3, 2, 1), President (1), Vice President (2); Manager, Track Team (2); Manager, Cross-Country Team (1); Secretary of the Officers of the Guard Association (1); Business Staff of Turnout (2).

"Stud" came to the Institute in 1942 as a proud member of the Class of 1946. However, when the Marines called he was ready to do battle for or with them. On returning in 1946, "Stud" soon gained fame in being the man who was excused from more drills and parades than any other cadet. "Stud" has made many friends and is always trying to get a party going. The many good times we had at Roanoke and Cave Mountain Lake were largely due to "Stud's" efforts. He will always be remembered as mainstay and manager of the track team. We predict a happy and prosperous future for him.

HANS WILLIAM HENZEL ALBANY, NEW YORK

Liberal Arts 1947 Cavalry
Private (4); Corporal (3); Supply Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (1); Varsity Football (4, 3); Bomb Staff (2, 1); International Relations Club (2); Officers of the Guard Association (2).

It can safely be said that "Heinie" has received as much from his stay at V. M. I. as any cadet, past, present or future. An organizer and mentor of the Barbary Coast Veterans Association (to increase the beer consumption of the East Side coal pile crowd), the Little Kraut has displayed an amazing versatility to those who know him best. His military ability, past experience, quick thought, and great powers of concentration will stand him in good stead in the future. The Cadet Corps loses a good officer; the services will gain one.

JACK MAYO HUTCHINSON GREENSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Air Force
President of Class of 1949-C; Football Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Track Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Captain (3); Basketball Team (4); Athletic Council (2); Vice President (2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Private (4, 2, 1); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1).

"Hutch" is without a doubt one of the best "Yankees" that has ever matriculated at V. M. I. A versatile athlete, Jack has starred in both track and football for three years. His leadership ability is well demonstrated by his being elected captain of the track team, and also president of his class. Great things are expected of Jack by his friends, and his past success and attributes assure us that we won't be disappointed.

MAXIMILLIAN LAMONT II RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Liberal Arts 1947 Air Force
Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Lectern Club (3, 2, 1), President (2); Cadet Staff (2, 1), Managing Editor (1); International Relations Club (2, 1), Feature Editor, Turnout (2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Distinguished Military Student (3); Academic Stars (3, 2, 1).

Max entered V. M. I. with the idea of becoming a chemist, but during a tour of duty on a P. T. boat in the South Pacific he became convinced that his interests lay in the field of Liberal Arts. Since his return to the Institute he has been undisputed leader of the "Culture Vultures," for he has been an active member of all intellectual activities. Although he is quiet and inconspicuous, Max will take with him into his chosen career, the regular Air Force, the qualities which will insure his success, for he is known as an intelligent, conscientious worker who can always be depended upon to produce the required results. His unobtrusive friendliness has endeared him not only to his fellow cadets, but also to the students at his other place of residence, Southern Seminary.



"Rooster"

"Heinie"

"Eggie"

"Hutch"

"Stud"

"Max"

The Class



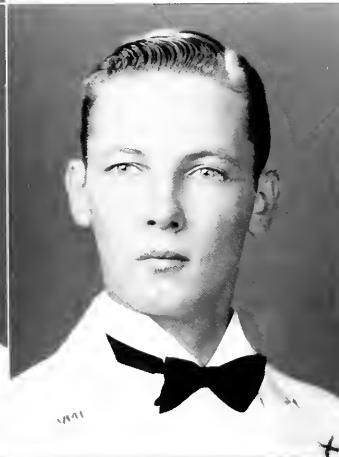
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Earl R. Lawhorne



Andrew M. Maggard



Ned D. McDonald, Jr.



Thaddeus J. Meler



Robert A. Moncure





WALTER CORNELIUS LAND

MADISON, GEORGIA

Civil Engineering 1947 Infantry

Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); President (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Turnout Staff (2, 1); Cartoon Editor (2); Managing Editor (1); Commanders, Manager (1); Deep South Club (4, 3).

"Now listen, you Rats, my name is Land, and don't you forget it." With those few words "Corky" welcomed the present Rat class. Although this is the first year he has tried this novel approach, it worked so well that he thought seriously of staying as a permanent head of the O. G. A. "Corky" has also shown his ability to assume responsibility by the excellent job he has done as Managing Editor of the Turnout. As his fellow sufferers and conspirators we hope Mrs. Land's boy, Cornelius, will always retain his abundant jowls, ever-created by the big "pepsodent" smile.

ANDREW McGIFFERT MAGGARD

LARCHMONT, NEW YORK

Liberal Arts 1949-B Air Force

Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (3, 2); Supply Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (1); Polo Team (4); Swimming Team (3, 2, 1); Captain (2, 1); Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Secretary and Treasurer (2); Lectern Club (2, 1); Bomb Staff (1); Cadet Librarian (3, 2, 1); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1).

Andy, one of the "lucky" Yankees to come to the Institute, has been an outstanding figure in his class since his matriculation. In sports, Andy has been the shining star of the swimming team, having been elected to captain the team for the past two years. Along the academic line, he chose the Liberal Arts course which accounts for that "restful" expression that his Brother Rats always see upon his face. Having been offered a regular commission, Andy is a bit unsettled between the U. S. A. F. and a try at some executive position in the business world.

THADDEUS JOHN MELER

SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS

Electrical Engineering 1948-A Field Artillery

Yankee Club (4, 3, 2); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1).

T. J. Q., commonly known as Ted, arrived on a cold morning in February, 1944, and immediately appalled his Brother Rats with his Massachusetts brogue. His aptitudes for mathematics and science were immediately applied toward a degree in Electrical Engineering. After his discharge from the Army and return to V. M. I. in February, 1947, he immediately tried to annihilate his roommates with his Polish variety of atomic indigestion, pastromi "saamwiches." He could frequently be found on escapades to Southern Sem. and Sweet Briar, none of which provided economical or sociological dividends. No matter how long we are away from Ted we shall never forget his sterling character and true Brother Rat spirit.

EARL RUDOLPH LAWHORNE

LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA

Chemistry 1948-B Field Artillery

Football Team (4); Cadet Staff, Circulation Manager (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Lynchburg Club (1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1); American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1).

After a valiant crossing of the North River, beginning on the East Lexington side, Earl found his way to J. M. Hall and matriculated one hot day in the summer of 1944. Since then what time he hasn't spent experimenting (?) in the "Chem. Lab.," supervising the circulation side of the Cadet, and trying to keep Green and McDonald from driving him completely "wacky" with their L. A. slant on life, he has spent writing to or thinking about his O. A. O. of the Queen City. To his many friends, Earl is considered of great value, for they know that the "water runs deep" in this old boy.

NED DEW McDONALD, JR.

LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Liberal Arts 1948-B Field Artillery

Lynchburg Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Vice President (2); Glee Club (4); Officers of the Guard Association (2); Intramural Council (3); Lectern Club (3, 2); Corporal (3); Sergeant (3); Supply Sergeant (2); First Sergeant (2); Captain (1); Editor-in-Chief, V. M. I. Cadet (1); Who's Who in American Colleges.

"Now, wait a minute!"—when "Buddy" finds fault with your argument you're fighting a losing battle. Those who have spent four years in his Liberal Arts section know that his clear logic and ability to express himself can rarely be denied. His ability to say what he thinks plus the rare faculty of making others believe themselves responsible for his ideas have stood him in good stead as a student and cadet. When some lovely tactlessly inquires, "What page are you on now?" "Buddy" may be dumfounded, but in his many other activities he has shown the intelligence and perseverance which predict a happy and prosperous future.

ROBERT AMBLER MONCURE

RADFORD, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Field Artillery

Sergeant (2); Supply Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Assistant Manager, Varsity Football (2); Manager, Rat Football (1).

Nobody has ever seen "Baldy" in a serious mood, not even the morning after a hop—his endurance is phenomenal. A permanent fixture on the Barbary Coast, which he continually keeps in an uproar, he is a close competitor to "Wobblin' Willy" for first-ranking party man. His Chinese "love songs" were an inspiration to his roommates' love life. As manager and "rodent father" he led one of V. M. I.'s greatest Rat teams to victories with his "armchair" coaching. Though he is bald and ancient he has given many a S. Y. T. a thrill with his cokes and handholding. Since he has returned to V. M. I., from the far reaches of China, his analytical mind has made him a credit to the Civil Engineering Department. With Marine and V. M. I. background his success in life should be unlimited.



"Corky"



"Earl"



"Andy"



"Buddy"



"Ted"



"Monty"

The Class



Antonio B. Niemeyer, Jr.



Robert H. Patterson, Jr.



Richard L. Prillaman



Vincent J. Ragunas



Harold L. Reed



Robert C. Rice, Jr.





ANTONIO BILISOLY NIEMEYER, JR. PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Cavalry
Private (4, 3, 2, 1); Newman Club (4, 3, 2, 1), Social Chairman (2, 1); Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1).

"Say Br'er Rat, ya wanna blind date? She ain't beautiful, but I certify she's got a swell personality, and whatta dancer." Yes, li'l Billy, the barracks organizer and party planner, is off again, plugging away for Niemeyer's Date Clinic, Inc., an organization famed and feared throughout the state, especially at Steve's Diner and Southern Sem. Although Bill has been a wee bit short of sensational academically, and has never given anyone serious competition for the first Captain's job, his experience while in the Cadet Corps should equip him for a brilliant future in public relations work.

RICHARD LEE PRILLAMAN MARTINSVILLE, VIRGINIA

Pre-Medical 1949-B Cavalry
Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Private (1); Varsity Football (4); Horse Show Team (2); Glee Club (4); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Cadet Staff (2, 1); Bomb Staff (1).

This handsome, intelligent, romantic young lad from Martinsville came to V. M. I. in 1945 and without a doubt he will graduate. One of Doc's Disciples, Stoop hasn't exactly excelled in academics. It's not that he couldn't; he just hasn't let his studies interfere with his education. He has participated in everything that would get him out of drill and parade, including football and "gim" riding. This year he gained fame as a sports rewrite for the Cadet. With a new girl every week and never less than three at a time, Stoop has been the idol of many a young girl during his cadetship. With his great self confidence, he could be president, but he aspires to be a rancher.

HAROLD LEE REED WEST FRANKFORT, ILLINOIS

Civil Engineering 1948-B Air Force
Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); Football Team (4, 2, 1); Basketball Team (4, 3); Track Team (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1).

One of the most well liked and personable boys in barracks is "Rod" Reed. Harold has had a two-fold job at V. M. I.: first, he has had to get himself through V. M. I., and second he has had to get "unconscious" Thompson, his roommate through. Consequently he deserves double credit for his V. M. I. career. "Rod" is an excellent athlete and also tops in the Academic Department. His success in the future is assured.

ROBERT HOBSON PATTERSON, JR. RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Liberal Arts 1948-A Air Force
Football Team (4); Corporal (4, 3); Vice President of Class of 1948-A (4); Polo (4, 3); Methodist Club (4); Honor Court (4, 3, 1); General Committee (4, 3, 1); Track Team (3); Sergeant (2); Academic Stars (2); International Relations Club (2, 1); President, Lectern Club (1); Historian, Class of 1949-C (1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Assistant Editor, Cadet (1).

"Stoop" came to the Institute in 1944 and soon gained the reputation for being the most feared third in barracks. This characteristic has been submerged now, however, and today we find him a man who has gained acclaim as one of the most personable and intelligent men in barracks. His work for the '49-C's and the States' Rights Clubs has demonstrated his ability to leave no stone unturned in achieving his purpose.

VINCENT JOSEPH RAGUNAS PLYMOUTH, PENNSYLVANIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Air Force
Football Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Basketball Team (4, 3); Track Team (3, 2, 1); Wrestling Team (4); Monogram Club (3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Private (4, 2, 1).

Ragunas, "the big burly fullback," as the Richmond Times Dispatch would say, is really, off the football field, a good-looking and congenial boy. To complete the contrast, he is a singer with the V. M. I. Commanders. Vince is actually most well known for teaming up with his roommate "Rod" Reed and searching for beautiful women. His amiable personality and intelligence indicate that he will go far in his chosen field.

ROBERT COLEMAN RICE, JR. RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1948-B Air Force
Private (4, 1); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Glee Club (3, 2); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Richmond Club (4, 3, 2, 1).

Little did the "Holy City" realize that when it sent "Bob" to Lexington the O. G. A. would soon receive another valuable member. Many were the times "Bob" attempted to rise above this fate but in the end "E" Company had to accept his services from the ranks. Although kept busy by the Civil Department, "Bob" usually can be found attempting to swing a big deal or imitating Jack Kramer on the tennis courts. We are all sure that whoever has the pleasure to associate with "Bob" in the future will find the same friendliness and sincerity that we at the Institute have found in him.



"Tony"

"Stoop"

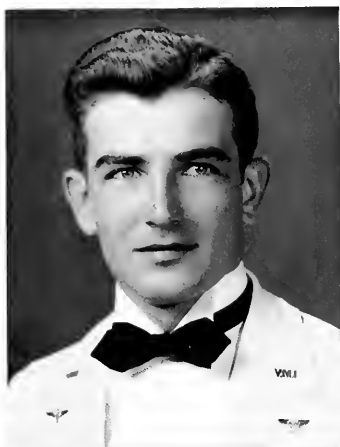
"Stoop"

"Vince"

"Rod"

"Cole"

The Class



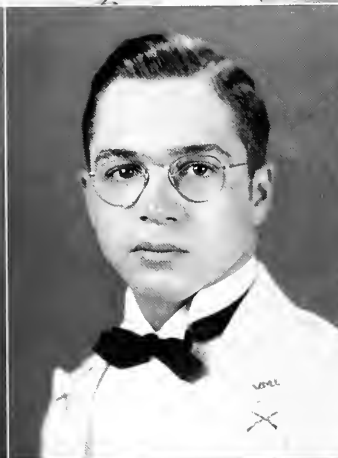
Grant C. Rowland



Leon Shahun, Jr.



Albert C. Smith, Jr.



Calvin S. Snoddy, Jr.



William B. Taylor



Robert L. Thomason





GRANT CAMPBELL ROWLAND

KINGSTON, NEW YORK

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Glee Club (4, 3, 2); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Yankee Club (4).

"Remember Atlanta" is the slogan that reminds all of us of Brother Rowland, who is one of the Yankee boys of the class. As we have seen on our Corps trips and on the stoops as well as in the rooms of barracks, "Rabbit" is a real comic and keeps all those who associate with him laughing most of the time. When he's not occupied with "sackology" or some other major undertaking you'll find him hard at work conditioning the home front for the grades that are to arrive shortly. Seriously, though, it would be hard to find a more industrious person. His ideals and character are unsurpassable. Whether it'll be a career in the engineering, textiles, or the Army, "Rabbit" will most certainly make a success.

ALBERT CROMWELL SMITH, JR.

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1947 Infantry
Polo Team (4); Tidewater Club (3, 2), President (1); Advertising Business Manager of Turnout (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3); First Sergeant (2); Captain (1).

"Did someone say party?" is an expression which is more than frequently heard coming from "Al's" lips. This is only rightly so, since he is one of the most energetic managing directors of Club 142. The three things which make "Sparkplug's" world go 'round are wine, women, and the Gyrene Corps. "Smitty's" greatest accomplishment was his appointment as Commander of Company B, and his greatest disappointment was five I. C. C.'s for a certain dance last fall. We know that "Al," with his common sense and military bearing, will make a good and true officer of which V. M. I. and the Marine Corps can justly be proud.

WILLIAM BRUCE TAYLOR

LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1947 Cavalry
Football Team (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Lynchburg Club (1).

A bottle of beer, a wide grin, and Bruce all go together. Surprisingly capping a career of grossness with Lieutenant's stripes he still parties with the best of them. He led the "Belvoir Five" to the 823 Club and due to his personality and friendliness became well known to everyone there. His exploits with "Mink's" dates are well known and his roommates have had some rare moments because of this. The "Floating University" will long remember the escapades of their own "Gregory Peck." Returning to V. M. I. with a touch of grey in his hair, he has proven himself capable as a pursuer of the Civil course. He is sure to prove his worth in his field after graduation.

LEON SHAHUN, JR.

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Liberal Arts 1948-A Air Force
Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Lectern Club (3, 2, 1); International Relations Club (2, 1); Polo Team (3); Horse Show Team (2); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Cadet Staff (1).

When "Ali Baba" arrived from Memphis in February, 1944, little did his Brother Rats realize that they had acquired a future Liberal Artist, who has turned out to be one of the best connoisseurs of fine cigars, clothes, and well-appointed parties. He returned to V. M. I. in 1947, after having been discharged from the Army. Whenever Leon was seen leaving barracks with his El Producto and snappy civilian clothes, one could be sure that there was a hilarious evening in the making. A tragedy which befell Leon was the loss of the horses, but even after dropping out of the polo team, and the horse show team, he busied himself with his numerous other barracks activities. In later years whenever any of us think of the more enjoyable times at V. M. I., our thoughts will always include "Leon the Peon."

CALVIN STEWART SNODDY, JR.

HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

Chemistry 1948-B Infantry
Floor Committee (4, 3); Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3, 1); Sergeant (3); American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1); Executive Committee, American Chemical Society (2); Vice President (1), President (1); Executive Committee, Officers of the Guard Association (1).

One of Butch's most conscientious chemists during the week, "Stew" is proud of the fact that on Saturday night he drops his books and takes up his duties as one of the directors of Club 142. His roommates will long remember the "sea stories" about Gay Paree and a certain little French girl, namely Simone, who will long remember his contributions to lift her morale during his reign in Paris. Any company that is lucky enough to latch onto "Stew," will never regret it; he will certainly be an asset to his profession.

ROBERT LEE THOMASON

LEEDS, ALABAMA

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Football Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Basketball Team (3); Baseball Team (3, 2, 1), Captain (1); Member, Second Class Finance Committee; Treasurer, Monogram Club (1); Corporal (3); Private (2, 1).

Bob came to the Institute from the deep South and quickly became famous as a great football player and as a great guy to all of us who know him well. His first year was well filled with academics, football, and his military career, the last of which he later decided not to follow. Even though "the Arm" has had reason to be proud of himself, he has remained the most modest of all the Brother Rats, which is evidenced by the fact that all the glory he has achieved and all the feminine sighs from the stands have failed to turn him from his goal of getting a "dip" and then going back to a very pretty southern belle to make his home in Leeds. We feel that even though Bob may never be a millionaire he will never lack a friend or be forgotten by his Brother Rats.



"Rabbit"

"Ali Baba"

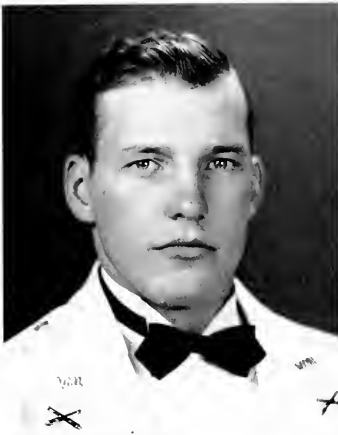
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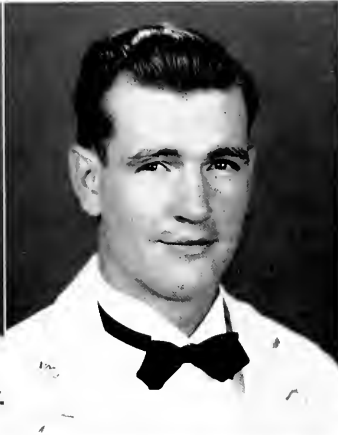
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"Bobby"

The Class



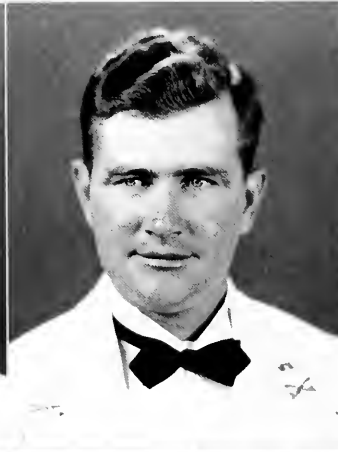
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Thomas W. Tigertt



John W. Timmins, Jr.



Hugh M. Walsh



Thomas M. Watson, Jr.



Edwin J. Williams, Jr.





ROBERT CAMERON THOMPSON CULPEPER, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1948-B Air Force
Monogram Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Football Team (4, 3, 2, 1); Track Team (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1).

Cameron is V. M. I.'s successor to Morpheus. Always found dosing under the most extreme conditions, "Sleepy" has become the envy of every cadet. A fighting guard for four seasons on the varsity football team, the "Moose" will be hard to replace. Good natured, helpful and friendly all describe Cameron, but outstanding in his personality is his determination to do his best in all he undertakes.

JOHN WOOD TIMMINS, JR. DALLAS, TEXAS

Liberal Arts 1947 Infantry
Private (4); Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (1); Lectern Club (2, 1), Vice President (1); International Relations Club (2, 1); Academic Stars (4, 2); Distinguished Military Graduate; Texas Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Who's Who in American Colleges.

Jack, otherwise known as "Johannes" and "The Baron" by his roommates by virtue of his mania for anything German or militaristic, is a man of many talents and accomplishments. He has been in his time journalist, critic, political commentator, executive, world traveler, amateur diplomat, soldier, and instructor in military science. One has only to see him leading his platoon in "revue," though, to tell what his greatest love is the Army, in which he intends to make his career. A few meaningful adjectives describe his character: dignified but genial, intelligent, witty, poised, industrious and efficient.

THOMAS MITCHELL WATSON, JR. DALLAS, TEXAS

Civil Engineering 1948-B Air Force
Floor Committee (4); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Texas Club (4, 3, 2, 1), President (3); Officers of the Guard Association (2, 1); Class Agent (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Private (1).

"Mike's mah name and ah'm from Texas." Yes, Mike is from Texas where things are big, and when Mike does anything it's bound to be big. Big hearted is a term that applies well to Mike, a swell guy to know. Civil Engineering is his calling, he is one of Uncle Buzz's boys, and he'll go back to Dallas after graduation to work for his Dad. He says that once he gets back to Dallas he'll never leave again. R. M. W. C. is most often the target of Mike's week-end escapades. It seems that he is enamored of one of the lovelies there enough to invest in a miniature. We needn't wish Mike "Good Luck" because he makes his own.

THOMAS WALTER TIGERTT WILMER, TEXAS

Civil Engineering 1949-B Air Force
Private (4); Supply Sergeant (3); First Sergeant (2); Second Lieutenant (1); Captain, Horse Show Team (3, 2); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Texas Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Distinguished Military Student; Alfred P. Goddin Trophy (2); American Society of Civil Engineers (4, 3, 2, 1); Cavalry Troop (4, 3, 2).

"Master of the Fox and Hound" may be an appropriate title for Tom, as he has spent much time on horseback since he has been a cadet. Many are the ribbons that he has won in horse shows and the Saturday afternoons he has spent in the stables lent a certain aroma to 258. The rest of Tom's time is spent cawing with the fair sex in wild parties. Most Brother Rats will remember Tom as the shyder on the ring committee who extracted large sums from B. R.'s. Watch out, Texas, here he comes.

HUGH MICHAEL WALSH MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Civil Engineering 1948-B Cavalry
Private (4, 3, 2, 1); Basketball (3); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Monogram Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Newman Club; Officers of the Guard Association (1).

"Hugo" or "Mike," as he is known to the Brothers and fellow cadets, returned to us from Uncle Sammy's Navy in February of 1947. Instead of following the usual plight of average cadets and becoming grosser with each hash mark at the Institute, Hugh saved his first class year to show the world (and the Commandant), that he could be quite a military man! Hugh has been a standout, in many ways, in both intramural and varsity competition. Though usually quiet and unassuming, there's quite a bit of jest in this son of Tennessee. Needless to say, "Hugo" will be missed in the Corps next year.

EDWIN JAMES WILLIAMS, JR. NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Civil Engineering 1946 Engineers
Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Louisiana Club (3, 2, 1); Newman Club (3, 2, 1); Treasurer (2); Catholic Choir (3, 2, 1); Manager (2, 1); Turnout (2, 1); Officers of the Guard Association (1); Deep South Club (4).

Any cadet passing a joint session of the 49-C R. O. T. C. sections will know by the loud guifaws that Jim has done it again. The Corps will not soon see another man with his ability to say nothing, yet imply everything. While Jim does not always laud the Institute to the skies, his many activities prove that he has V. M. I.'s best interests at heart. A hard worker and a good mixer, Jim should be an asset to any community.



"Sleepy"



"Tom"



"Jack"



"Hugo"



"Mike"



"Willy"

The Class



Phinehas E. Wood, Jr.



Dale E. Wykoff



Edwin L. Baker, Jr.



Bruce Bowden



Willard M. Brittain



Peter V. Davies





PHINEHAS EARLE WOOD, JR.

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering 1947 Cavalry

Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Baptist Student Union (4, 3, 2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Private (4, 2, 1); Corporal (3); Officers of the Guard Association (1).

Earle's Rat year was marked by his disastrous attempt to set off the "47's" only bomb. Probably known best for his "I agree" and a parabolic figure left over from his days as a Navy cook, he is one of Steve's regular customers who also finds time to rack up the grades. Wherever Earle may land we know he'll have his feet on the ground and a smile on his face.

EDWIN LEROY BAKER, JR.

PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

Pre-Medical 1943 Civilian

Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (3); Swimming Team (3, 2); Captain (2); Norfolk-Portsmouth Club (4, 3, 2); American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1).

Eddie, a Brother Rat of the Class of 1943, came back to school as a civilian student, and resumed his Pre-Medical studies this year. Eddie left V. M. I. in 1943 and entered the Army where he attained the rank of captain. Although there has been a gap of five years between his first and second class years, Eddie plans to go to dental school. We hope that this ambition is fulfilled and that Eddie achieves the success he so richly deserves.

WILLARD MARSHALL BRITTAIN

GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

Electrical Engineering 1947 Civilian

Private (4); Corporal (3); First Sergeant (2); Civilian (1); Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); V. M. I. Commanders (4, 2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Executive Board (3, 2); Secretary (1).

Whether its Carnegie Hall or J. M. Hall, if music is there, Willie is there. He was one of the big wheels in the big brass band on the hill and had the distinction of wielding the baton in the first Cadet Band. Marshall is envied by all for his academic ability, especially his knack of obtaining the right answer in a minimum time. Wherever he goes from here, Marshall will be remembered as a musician, scholar and an all-around good fellow.

DALE EMERSON WYKOFF

SALEM, OHIO

Pre-Medical 1948-A Cavalry

Methodist Club (4, 3, 2); Yankee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Supply Sergeant (2); Lieutenant (1).

When the "Fish" arrived at barracks in February, 1944, his resemblance to a certain "sub" was immediately noticed. He caused many cases of premature baldheadedness because of this likeness. With Doc Carroll as an appointed "stop-father," he enthusiastically joined the ranks of "Carroll's Curers." His return to the Institute in February, 1947, found him playing first chair clarinet in the new V. M. I. Band. His frequent hikes throughout the country for the collection of biological specimens were greatly enhanced by his discovery of a moonshiner in one of the local caves. As one of our most amiable Br'er Rats, he should find rapid advancement in any phase of life.

BRUCE BOWDEN

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Chemistry 1944 Civilian

Norfolk-Portsmouth Club (4); Wrestling (3, 2); American Chemical Society (3, 2, 1); Second Class Finance Committee (2); Hop Committee (1); Private (4, 3, 2); Civilian (1).

A yawn was being suppressed in the rear of the room. "Well, Mr. Bowden," said Butch, "Are you bored with Organic Chemistry?" No, Bruce isn't, but Bruce, Junior, had a hard night the night before, and Papa Bruce hasn't recovered. The first many cadets saw of Bruce was in September, 1947, when he returned as an officer from the Army. He spent a year in the Corps because Headquarters did not tell him he was entitled to civilian status, but as a "G" Company man he did not suffer. Best of luck, Bruce, to a modest test-tube holder.

PETER VANDYKE DAVIES

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE

Civil Engineering 1945 Civilian

Fencing Team (4); Corporal (3, 2); Private (4); Yankee Club (4, 3); American Society of Civil Engineers (2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3); Canterbury Club (4, 3); Civilian (1).

The boys at 306 Jackson Avenue will always remember "Mother Davies' Home-Cooked Food." "P. V.," as chief hash-slinger of the civilians this year, has made quite a name for himself. Always ready for a party, Pete's main claim to fame is that he has rarely had a picture taken of himself without a glass in his hand. He has always been one of the brows, but has never let his studies interfere with his college life, and on almost any week end can be found on the road to Charlottesville on his way to see the "Judge." Pete's principal worry has been whether or not he would make the 8 o'clock class going to school every day in the "Lemon" with "P. X." driving.



"Earle"



"Fish"



"Eddie"



"Bruce"

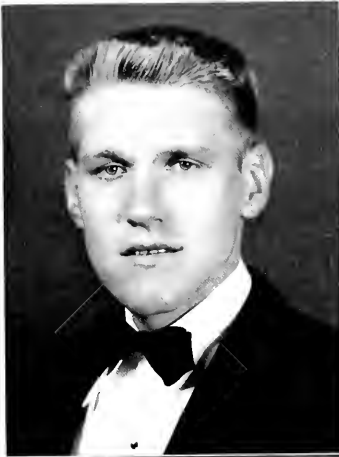


"Willie"



"Pete"

The Class



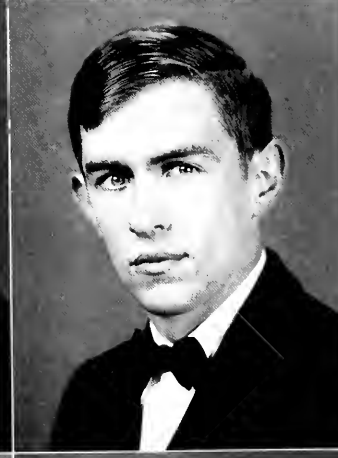
Charles H. Davis, Jr.



Judson M. Ellis, Jr.



Paul X. English, Jr.



Thomas C. Hathaway, Jr.



William T. Hawkins



Lawrence N. Mauck, Jr.



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CHARLES HURD DAVIS, JR. MARTINSVILLE, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1947 Civilian
Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Civilian (1); Baptist Student Union (4); Roanoke Club (2); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1), Assistant Secretary (3); Academic Stars (3, 2, 1); Lincoln Scholarship Undergraduate Award Winner (2).

No list of academically distinguished cadets at V. M. I. would be complete without Charlie's name. Academically, he has been distinguished for three years but this does not start to cover his achievements. His rank of lieutenant in the Army is commendable but most people need only a glance at Chuck's wife to agree that he has been successful in the most important test of all. Charlie's big smile plus his brilliant mind should take him far in the engineering field.

PAUL XAVIER ENGLISH, JR. PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

Civil Engineering 1947 Civilian
Bomb Staff (3, 2); Assistant Manager, Basketball Team (3); American Society of Civil Engineers (2, 1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3); Newman Club (2, 1); Turnout Staff (1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Supply Sergeant (2); Civilian (1).

Loping gaily from blunder to blunder, Paul is one of the civilians of 306 Jackson this year. None loves the party better than P. X. but his lament is that even HE cannot live up to his reputation. "With me everything is an adventure" from his bouts with El Le-mon to the story of how he got the Chinese Breast Order—over which he has lost much face since a certain Colonel has three to his one. The Paul's jokes are riotously funny especially when told on himself, and with his fine sense of humor and love of life, he should go far.

WILLIAM THOMAS HAWKINS LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1947 Civilian
Private (4, 3, 2); Civilian (1); Varsity Football (4); Baseball Team (3); Methodist Club (4, 3, 2, 1); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Lynchburg Club (4, 3, 2, 1).

Is it a P-80?—an express train?—no, its Hawkeye in the "Green Hornet," careening down Letcher Avenue at the terrific rate of five m. p. h. to his F. C. P. Hawkeye, better known to his friends as "Baldy" is probably the only man at the Institute who combs his hair with a towel. Tom, with his everlasting cigar, his pleasant personality and his will for hard work, will go far in the field of Civil Engineering.

JUDSON MOYLER ELLIS, JR. McKEESPORT, PENNSYLVANIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Civilian
American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1), Assistant Secretary (3), Secretary (2), President (1); Turnout Staff (2, 1); Who's Who in American Colleges.

Regardless of the group concerned, there are always those few who edge just a little out ahead of the rest. Among the outstanding individuals in this class, we recognize Jud Ellis who would doubtless be thus considered in any organization. Jud combines a great sense of humor with an admirable sense of values. His inoffensive self-confidence justly springs from intelligence and industry. Jud is one of those we'll feel close to regardless of miles or years. The sincerest good wishes of his many friends here will be with him always.

THOMAS CARLETON HATHAWAY, JR. PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1950-A Cavalry
American Society of Civil Engineers (4, 3, 2, 1); Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4, 3); Sergeant (2); Civilian (1).

"That's a pretty good way of doing it, but in C. B. I. we did it this way." Anyone hearing the above couldn't help but know that Tom was in the neighborhood. Never one to avoid a party, the "Kid" will go down in fame for his activities in Atlanta where he secured a hotel room on the pretense of being a Venezuelan oil magnate. Tom returned this year complete with Lib and a Crosley, and the Hathaways have been in attendance at all parties and cheer rallies since. His main difficulties now seem to be in starting the "Lime" and stopping Lib from finding out the full story on Atlanta.

LAWRENCE NEWBILL MAUCK, JR. RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering 1946 Civilian
Rat Football (4); American Society of Civil Engineers (3, 2, 1); Richmond Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Private (4, 2); Corporal (3).

Only those who were fortunate enough to know "Bull" realize how great was Barracks' loss when he became a civilian. One of the Richmond Club, "Bull" has instigated some of the most ill-famed parties in Richmond. "Bull's" a civilian, but he will be long remembered in barracks for his humor and personality.



"Chuck"



"Jud"



"P. X."



"Tom"



"Hawkeye"



"Bull"

The Class



Bernard D. Mann

John M. Morgan

Alfred S. Robertson

Jack A. Wright





BERNARD DAVIDSON MANN

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

Liberal Arts

1946

Civilian

Baseball (3, 2, 1); Private (4); Corporal (3); Sergeant (2); Civilian (1); Editor, Turnout (1); Monogram Club (2, 1); International Relations Club (1); Tidewater Club (1).

"Boodie" arrived at V. M. I. in September of 1942, and since then he has followed in the footsteps of his uncle "Boodie" in taking the place by storm. Since his arrival, "Boodie" has established a reputation as being one of the outstanding members of the Class of '46. His ability having been recognized by the Army, he has been able to live as a civilian in his first class year. This has not stopped him from doing many things for his Brother Rats, such as trips to the A. B. C. store for which he asks nothing in return. "Boodie" is a fine man to have around at any party, and whenever help is needed, you can always depend on him. Dependability, cheerfulness, and helpfulness are three characteristics that are not found wanting in "Boodie."

ALFRED SAGE ROBERTSON

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering

1947

Civilian

American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1), Executive Board (1); Glee Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Wrestling (4); Cadet Staff (2, 1); Richmond Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Canterbury Club (4); Private (4, 3, 2); Civilian (1).

A gentleman, a scholar, and a racketeer, Sage is one who believes that the feet can be quicker than the eyes of the subs. Always ready for a good time, a serious talk, or a trip to see the "little woman," he can still buckle down for the old six-day grind. An engineer with a Liberal Artist's mind, Sage's perpetual laugh and driving energy should take him far.

JOHN McKAY MORGAN

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

Civil Engineering

1947

Civilian

Methodist Club (4, 3); Ambassador Club (4, 3); American Society of Civil Engineers (2, 1).

The notoriety of "Club 306" is well established, but the reasons for that must include its occupancy by "Cousin." Substituting the phrase "let's keep it gay" for the rebel yell, "Cousin" was another of those red-blooded American youths who returned to the hill with the idea of doing very little "pressing up" in order to preserve his strength and vision for "hoisting up." Party, party, party; three little words, but, oh, the time they consumed when the academics were safely relegated to second place. Always the "bon vivant" at any gathering, J. M. Morgan (the non-military one that is), can be found ready to drop a few pearls of humor at the most opportune time.

JACK ALLEN WRIGHT

CHURCHLAND, VIRGINIA

Electrical Engineering

1947

Civilian

Private (4, 3, 2); Civilian (1); American Institute of Electrical Engineers (3, 2, 1); Cadet Staff (2, 1); Tidewater Club (4, 3, 2, 1); Baptist Student Union (4, 3, 2, 1).

That quiet, unassuming manner is only deep thought on how to get the most done with the least effort. Jack believes that the best way to think is in a hay with his eyes shut. Always ready for a good time or a good grade, he finds both. His earnestness and desire for perfection should someday put him on top.



"Boodie"



"Cousin"



"Sage"



"Jack"

HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF 1950-A

March 4, 1946, is a date that will be remembered by the Brother Rats of '50-A for many long years, for on that day we were introduced to an entirely new form of life. We had become rats at V. M. I., and the third class very quickly let us know what was expected of us. The majority of us came from the services of Uncle Sam; most of the remainder were just out of high school. The result was that there was a great difference in ages among the members of our class; consequently, a difference in maturity. Geographically, our Brother Rats were not only from most of the United States, but we had members also from the Philippines and Ecuador. Regardless of where we were from or what we had been before, by June 21, 1946, we had been welded into a strong, unified class, the class of 1950-A.

Summer passed quickly, and soon it was time to return to school. Although we were not yet the third class, one of our duties was to help indoctrinate the new cadets with the traditions and principles of the V. M. I. system. That fall, our education as cadets of V. M. I. became more complete, as we experienced the thrill of rooting for the "Big Red." In November came the annual trip to Roanoke for the game with our arch foe, V. P. I. Soon after we left on Christmas furlough. Returning, we were granted third-class privileges. These brought new responsibilities. Many '50-A's sported the two stripes of corporal. Spring passed slowly, but Finals saw another class graduate and barracks joyfully abandoned for summer furlough.

When we returned in September, the number of our Brother Rats remaining at the Institute had diminished to twenty-three. However, our academic class was augmented by members of other classes who had left for the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps and were returning to school to complete their education. In October, the Corps went to Atlanta for the big game with Georgia Tech, where the "Big Red" held the highly favored Tech team to a scant two-touchdown win.

In February of 1948, '50-A became the second class at V. M. I. Along with the new privileges and added dignity, came the important responsibility of administering the business of the Second Class Finance Committee. The big event of the year, however, and the event to which we had long looked forward was our Ring Figure. Then we put on for the first time our class rings. As at every V. M. I. dance, Lexington was overflowing with beautiful young ladies, and everyone had a wonderful time dancing to the music of Johnny Long and his orchestra.

Now, after three years at V. M. I., we are ready to begin our first-class year. The smallest Brother Rat class remaining, we see many new responsibilities looming before us, and we look forward with eager anticipation to this, our last year at V. M. I.



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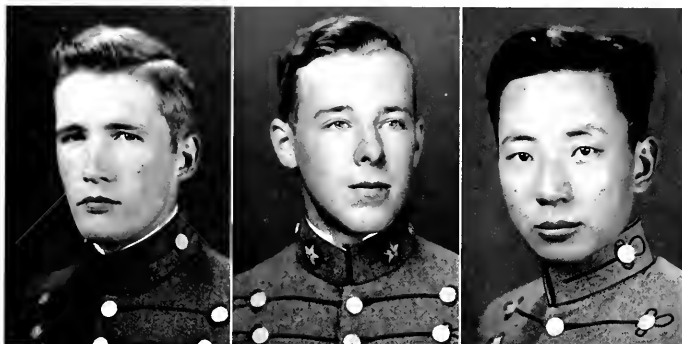
1950-A

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H. E. Logsdon.....*Vice President*

J. B. Bunch, Jr.....*Historian*

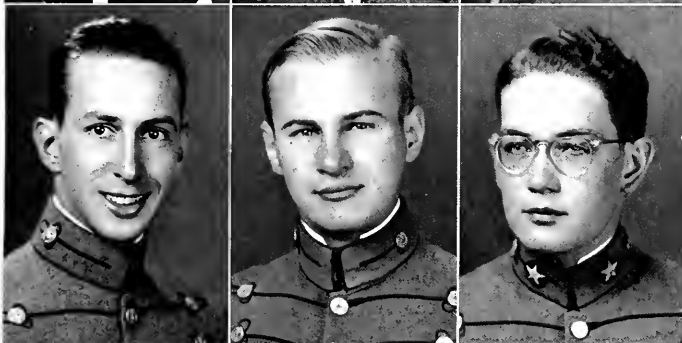
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Richmond, Virginia

Yen Wu Chiang
Shanghai, China



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Haddonfield, New Jersey

John Dissek, Jr.
Gardenville, New York

Walter C. Dresser
Appomattox, Virginia



Butler T. Franklin
Fredericksburg, Virginia

Samuel S. Gillespie
Lebanon, Virginia

Billy J. Guin
Shreveport, Louisiana



Harold D. Hamner, Jr.
Ammon, Virginia

Elliott R. Laine, Jr.
Windsor, Virginia

Harold E. Logsdon
Bowling Green, Kentucky





Richard R. Mandt
Charleston, West Virginia

Richard L. Martin
Staten Island, New York

James B. Moss, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia

Eric T. Naschold, Jr.
Erie, Pennsylvania

Joseph G. Ripley
Staunton, Virginia

Everett Shepherd, Jr.
Birmingham, Alabama

Howard J. Simpson
Norfolk, Virginia

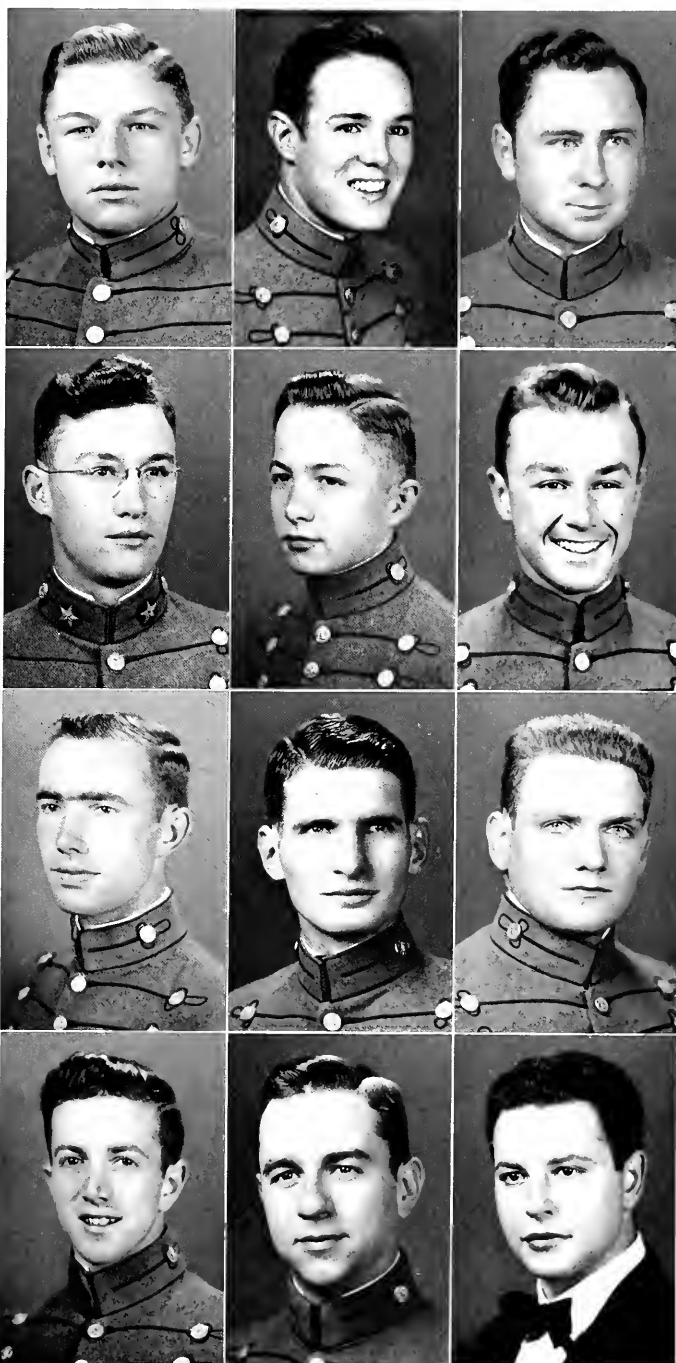
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Richmond, Virginia

Hans W. Strohm
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Robert S. Tauss
New York, New York

Charles M. Tiller
Roanoke, Virginia

Hugh C. Dischinger
Gloucester, Virginia



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HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF 1950-B

In the fall of 1946, about 380 young American citizens entered Jackson Arch in blissful ignorance of the awful year that lay ahead. Although many of us fell by the wayside, most of us buckled down and accepted the "Ratline" with a "grin and bear it" attitude that pulled us through that year to emerge, no longer as a motley mob, but as a proud class, the Brother Rats of 1950-B. We remember well the hardships and tribulations of that year, but we bear them no ill will, remembering also that they served to weld us into a homogenous whole.

In the fall of 1947, we returned to the "healthful and pleasant abode" as very cocky third classmen; and, with Norris Thompson as our president, proceeded to try to make ourselves as unpopular as possible with the "newlies." We did a pretty good job of that, succeeding so well that the attention of the Institute was focused on several of our number who were subsequently requested to take furloughs of indefinite duration. On the more pleasant side, we remember seeing our first conquest of V. P. I. at Thanksgiving and the memorable Corps trip to Atlanta. That year, too, many of the Brother Rats began to assume prominence in Corps activities, academic, military, athletic and cultural. At last '50-B was coming into its own.

This past fall of 1948 was perhaps a little less exciting at the first than the preceding two, because we had neither the rat line, nor the opposite end of the rat line, its prosecution, to fascinate us. The second-class year means more general courses, broader views. The fundamentals of each subject begin to take on a new importance as they are used in increasingly complex situations. Academically, the second-class year gives direction and a goal. As graduation approaches, the realization that success depends on four very short years begins to haunt us. The Liberal Artists call it "burning with a gem-like flame," but everybody else knows it as just plain hard work.

By the time those green and gold pieces of history have become familiar to our hands, the knowledge of the importance of the way we think, of what we know and do not know, has seized our minds. The future use of the subject is sought after more often than the daily grade. The second classman begins to build with the things he merely carried on a schedule card in the two preceding years.

We have learned all this and much more in our three years at V. M. I., which we believe will stand us in good stead both through the remainder of our cadetship and in future years.



2^d Class Officers

1950-B

N. B. Thompson.....*President*
 W. J. Buchanan.....*Vice President*
 L. A. Harrison, Jr.....*Historian*



The Second Class

Steven I. Abramedis
Clifton Forge, Virginia

John F. Ackerman, Jr.
Binghamton, New York

Charles A. Andrews
Irvington, New Jersey

Hughes T. Angell, Jr.
Roanoke, Virginia

Henry G. Bennett, Jr.
Danville, Virginia

Charles L. Bentley
Honesdale, Pennsylvania

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Washington, District of Columbia

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Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Chapman Berry
Greensboro, North Carolina

Meriwether C. Blaydes
Snell, Virginia

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Brooklyn, New York

Christoffer P. Bolvig
Birmingham, Alabama

Gardner W. Bond, Jr.
Bedford, Virginia

Frederick E. Borton
Miami, Florida

James M. Bower
Bedford, Virginia

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Clifton Forge, Virginia

Hugh M. Brand
Salem, Virginia

Ralston L. Brooke
Richmond, Virginia

Samuel B. Brown
Richmond, Virginia

William J. Buchanan
Wheeling, West Virginia

Thomas J. Burckell
Richmond, Virginia

Yerbury G. Burnham
Montclair, New Jersey

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Clifton Forge, Virginia

Edward B. Burwell
Covington, Virginia





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Smithfield, Virginia

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Martinsville, Virginia

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Lynchburg, Virginia

James M. Ellis
Bayonne, New Jersey

Thomas V. Eva
Syracuse, New York

Jones Felvey II
Richmond, Virginia

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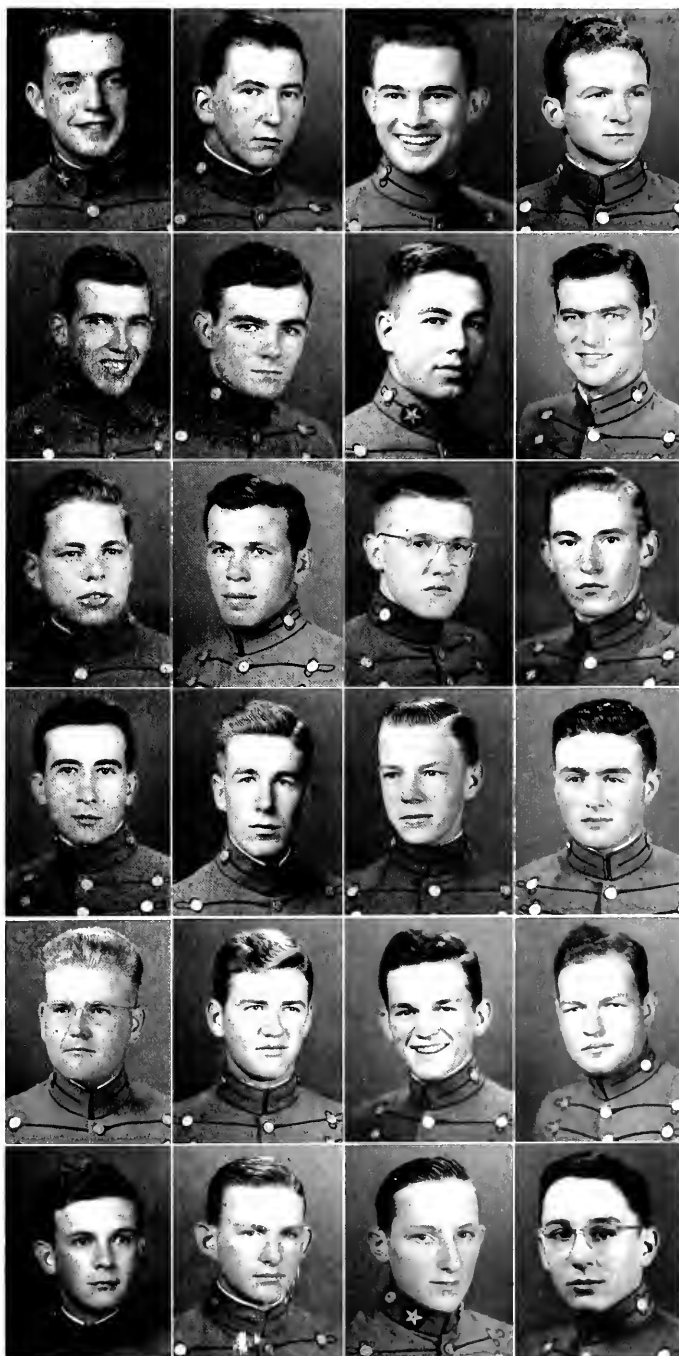
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Bristol, Tennessee

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Dade City, Florida

James G. Golightley
Charlestown, West Virginia



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Newport News, Virginia

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Gloucester Point, Virginia

Hugh B. Green
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Richmond, Virginia

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Longview, Texas

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Lynchburg, Virginia



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North Tazewell, Virginia

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Gerald E. Smallwood
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Tunstall L. Strawhand III
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White Plains, New York

William P. Talbott
Roanoke, Virginia



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San Antonio, Texas

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Neenah, Wisconsin

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Dallas, Texas

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Lafayette, Louisiana

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Lexington, Virginia

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Urbana, Illinois

Franklin V. Tweedy
Lynchburg, Virginia

Willard VanOmmeren
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

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Ashland, Virginia

Joseph Veltri
New Kensington, Pennsylvania

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Palmerton, Pennsylvania

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Macon, Georgia

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Mamaroneck, New York

John S. West
Richmond, Virginia

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Norfolk, Virginia

Erskine Williams, Jr.
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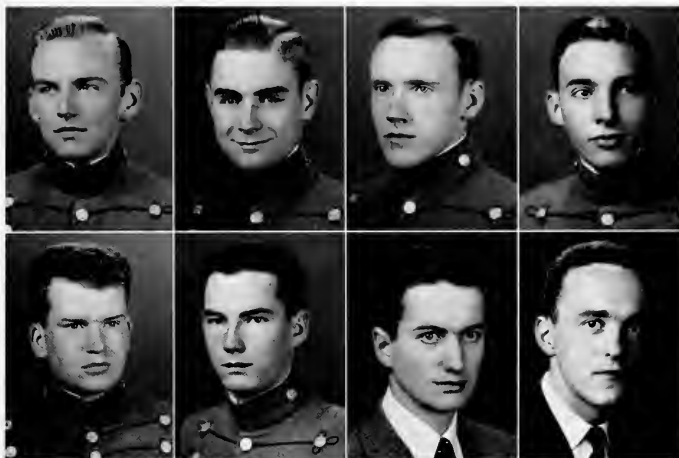
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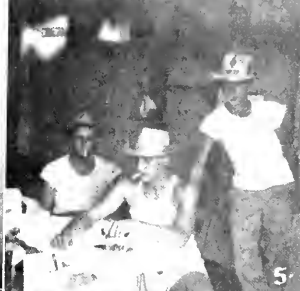
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1. Nothing like a nice, cold mint julep

2. Come, George, Army busses aren't that bad



3. The sunshine soakers on the roof

4. Rear view mirror-a la Phillips

5. Ah, the luxuries of summer school



6. Whatsa matter, Digger?

7. Braxton and Whorley with lovelies



8. Bill Talbott at work

9. Roughing it with Jack Parrott

10. Dog and buddies

1. That's living,
Sambo



2. The Gater—typical
pose

3. Barracks has
beauties too

4. Commr. Schluter
of the Arab Army

5. Kelly, Shep and
Zack



6. Fly boys

7. Templeton and
running girl



8. She likes broad
shoulders

9. East Siders



HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF 1951

What was the most important date of modern history, Rat?

Are you kidding, Misto? On the eighth day of September, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, the Class of '51 introduced itself to the Institute. It might better be said that the Institute introduced itself to us. Either way, we arrived and made history. Contrary to rumors that have been flying, we did not have an easy time of it for the next nine months. The next nine months were undoubtedly the most miserable most of us have ever spent. However, it molded us into one of the finest fraternities that can ever hope to be found. It is true we do not have a fancy Greek name. We only have the simple title, "The Brother Rat Class of '51," but these six words have more meaning than any combination of Greek letters.

From the moment we hit the arch on that September morning until we passed the last man in the gauntlet in June, we were indoctrinated into a newer and lower station of life. With five hundred instructors teaching us, it did not take us long to get on the well-known ball. It was not too long before the third stoop and the rooms that made up this particular stoop became only too familiar; nor was it long before the meaning of "Step off, you Rats. Do it!" became very clear. The "Old Yell for Resurrection" by the Third Class was not greatly appreciated by any member of the class, but it was something we had to endure. We suffered during these long months but we did have our moments of relaxation. We saw our Brother Rats on the Big Red Team make it possible for us to enjoy the life of upperclassmen for a few days during September, and then again at Thanksgiving, when they helped cook the Tech gobbler with a red hot finish. The men of '51 did a most commendable job in picking and holding on to their lovelies at the hops. We made every minute count at those functions. No one in this class will forget the latter part of May in any great hurry. We withstood the wrath of the entire school, from General down to the lowest third-class private. They had us staggering but never down. Then "The Day" arrived. The stoops seemed ten times longer than they actually were, but we were finally through the gauntlet and out of the Rat line. We gave our "first" class yell, and then the whole world seemed to take on a rosy hue. All the individual "lists" compiled throughout the year were torn up and forgotten.

In September of this year we returned to renew our battle with the Institute with only 175 men remaining of the original 260. We became the unprintable thirds. We made sure the rats thought so anyhow. Our job was to induct the rats into the system, and pass on to them the valuable heritage of V. M. I. and its Spirit. They shall learn the meaning of this V. M. I. Spirit, and they in turn will pass it on to the rats that follow them. As this history goes to press, we are taking our job seriously, and we will continue to do so. Our struggle with the Academic department and the tactical staff of the Institute can be likened to perpetual motion—it is never ending. We have lost men through the Nemesis of every cadet, the Academic department, and we will undoubtedly lose more. To us that remain, those Brothers will be remembered as men who helped make '51 what it is. Living in these four walls has made us all Brother Rats for life.



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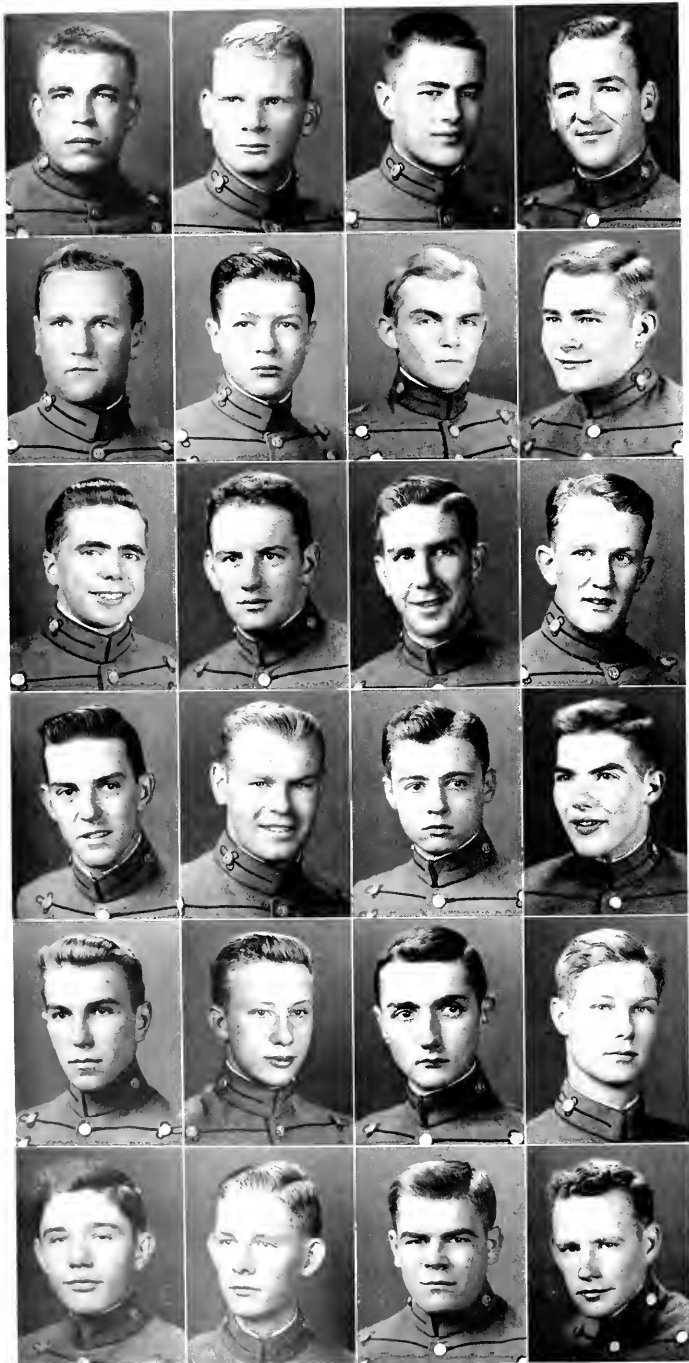
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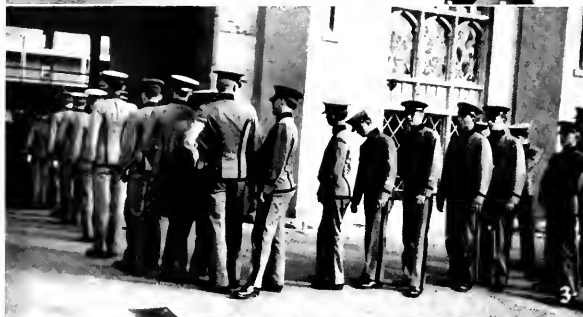


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1. Look! Rats

2. In Norfolk



3. Que—V.M.I. style

4. So-o-o Military



5. Front or back view?

6. But, sir!

7. Rat in the courtyard!

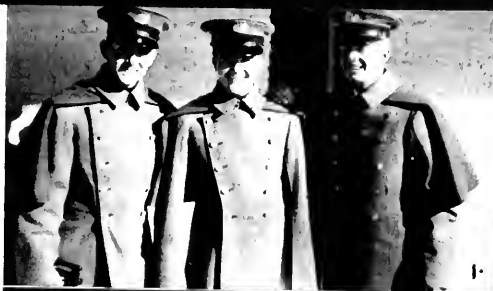


8. Lover

9. Play boys

10. Home, Sweet Home!

1. Remember these



2. Extra-curricular activities



3. At study?



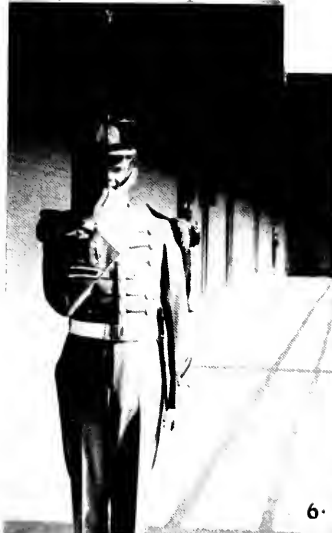
4. Ah!



5. Overseas Navy



6. Ramrod general



7. Builders or wreckers



8. Tonsorial artist



9. A fivesome



10. La plume est sur la table?



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It was a sweltering September day when the men who were to become the Brother Rat Class of '52 made their first shy entrance, under the supervision of first classmen, into Jackson Arch. Many of our Brother Rats had been told of the "rat line," "finning out" and the other little discomforts of V. M. I. life, but very few of us were prepared to meet the verbal onslaught of those first terrifying but memorable hours at the Institute. It was only a few days, however, before we had been rapidly converted from easy-going boys to military-minded machines whose primary functions were to strain, obey orders, and give correct replies to sets of standardized questions known only to the members of the upper classes.

In spite of our hardships, life was not unbearable. As the year wore wearily onward, we new cadets saw our first football game, and, later, the Big Red Team rolling up many victories. Along with the first football game came our first torchlight parade and the wonderful experience of being out of the Rat line for twenty-four hours. Then we paid for our freedom with our first "resurrection."

Time passed and even seemed to move a little faster. Before we knew it we'd been here two whole months and it was Thanksgiving and the big V. P. I. game. We thought the dances were very nice and it was really uplifting to give vent to our feelings at the games and hops.

Ah, Christmas! The terrific feeling of going home, and then the time we had breaking ourselves away and coming back to school! Some of us dropped out at the end of the first term and went home, but not as many left as had been expected. As a whole, we had a class that could stick it out.

The members of the upper classes did us a lot of good. They forged many of us together into friendships that will never be broken and gave us memories that will never be forgotten for their mutual hardships and joys. The "step-offs," the "resurrections" and our many trials and tribulations made us all equal, regardless of our status in civilian life, and we found that V. M. I. wasn't so bad after all.

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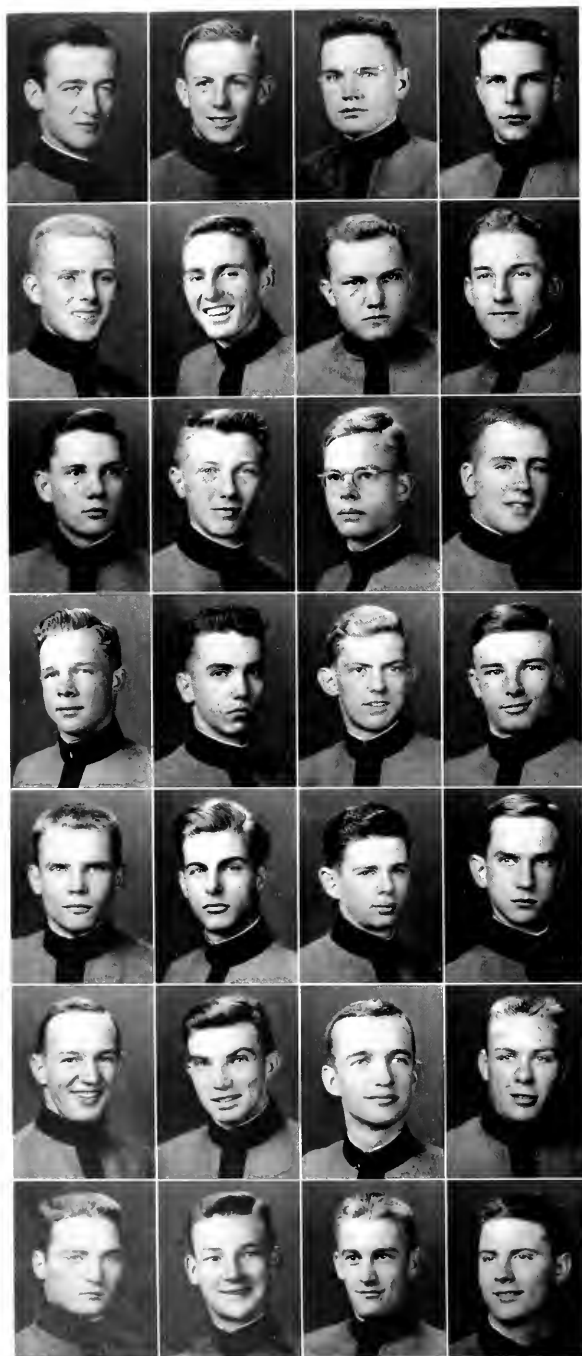
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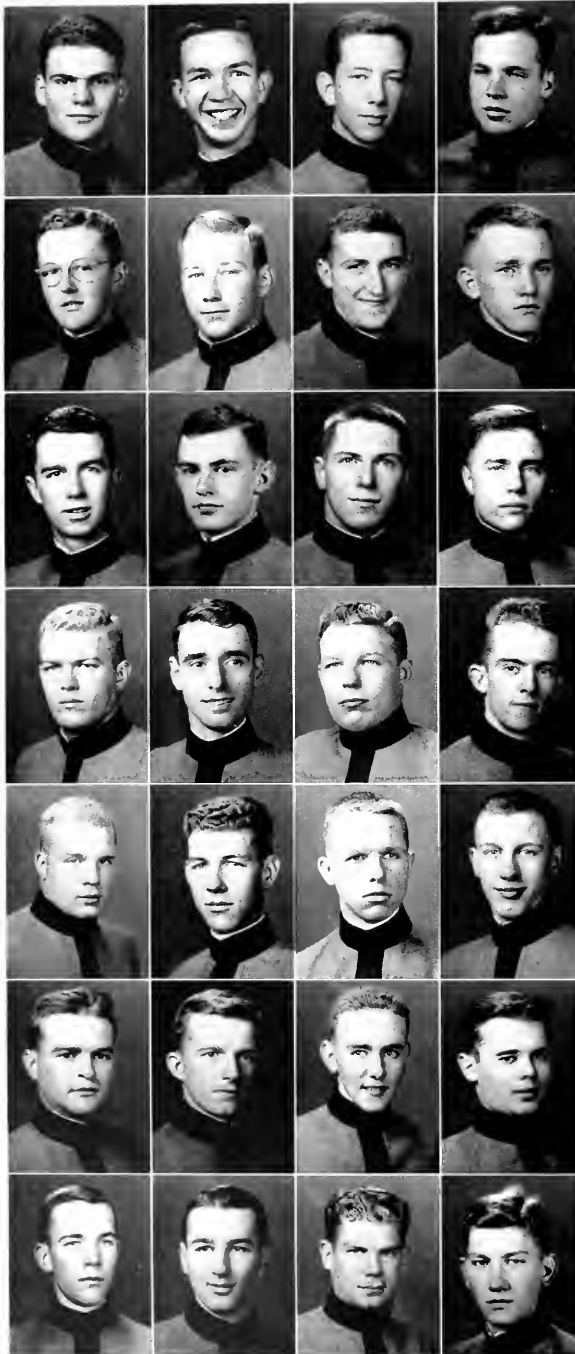
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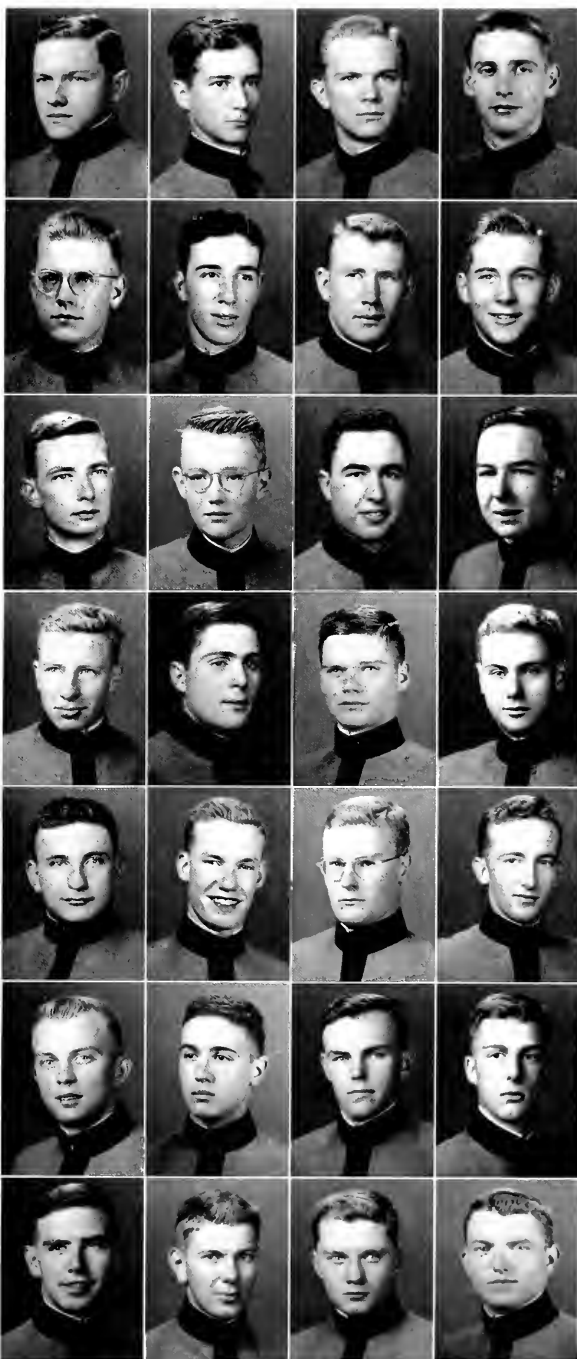
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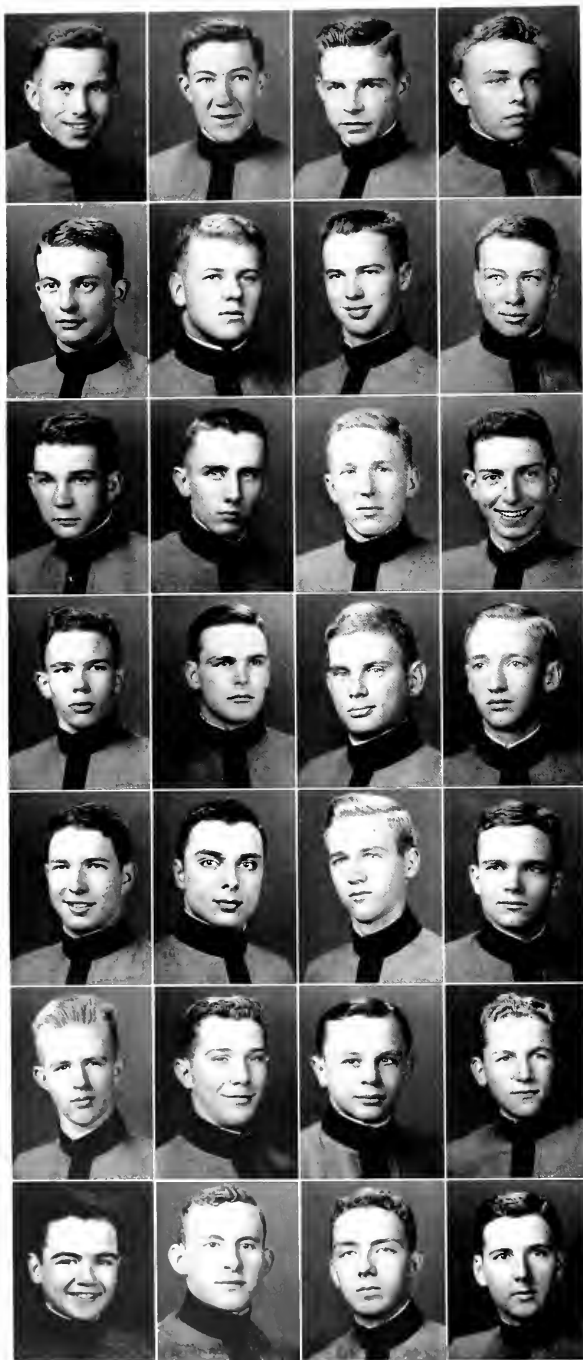
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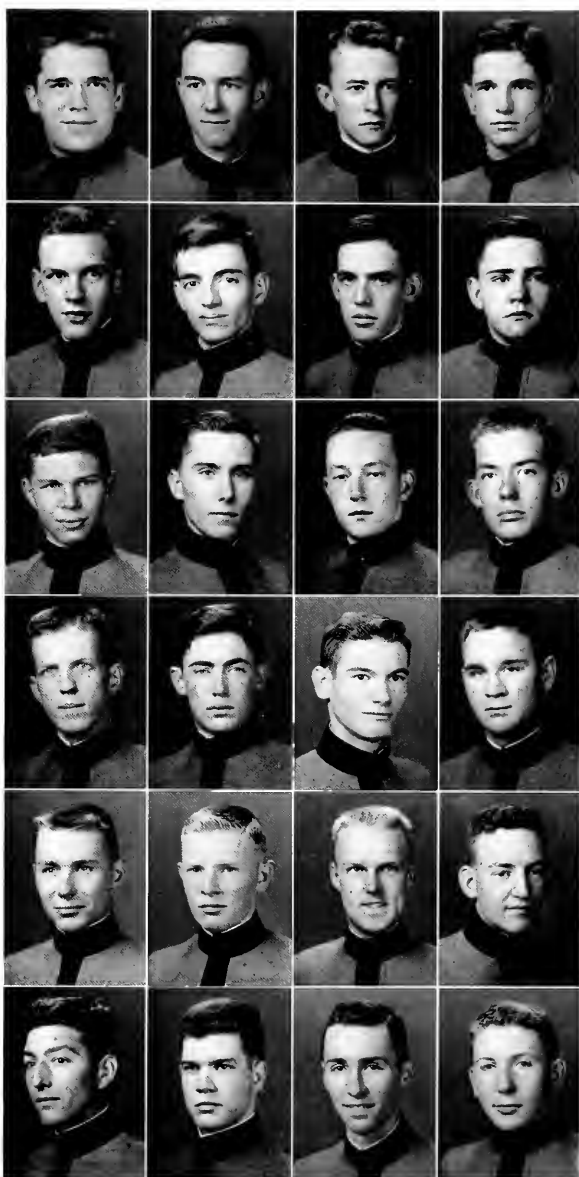
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1. Awrr, hurry up!



2. Shutter bug Patchin

3. I'm cold, let's go to the P. E.



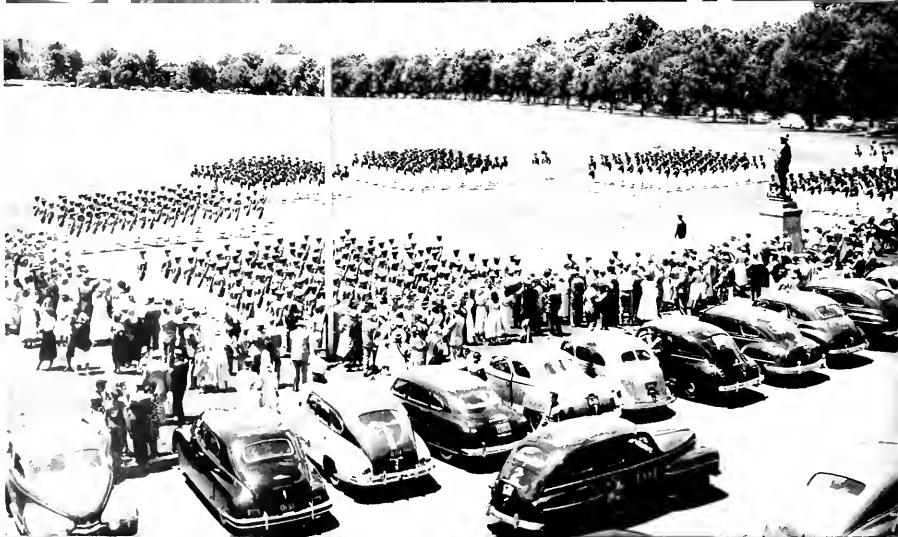
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6. American youth



7. Sniff





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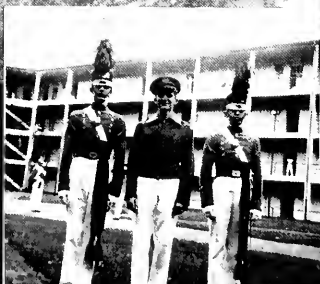
2. In memoriam

3. What a hole!



4. Siesta

5. We three



6. What's that in the middle?

7. Belt propelled



8. Washday

9. Brother Rats!



THE FIRST WORLD WAR



EUROPE had for years been composed of a group of competitive sovereign states, each having its own exaggerated nationalism and desire, frequently under the guise of do-goodism toward allegedly backward peoples, for imperialism. That desire once accomplished, promoters sought and made investments beyond the frontiers, with the inevitable demands for military protection by the home governments. Providing the armament needed for this purpose compelled ever heavier taxation, with attendant alarm and tension, and gradually countries were transformed into heavily armed camps, where the principle of compulsory service was used to build the largest armies theretofore known to man.

The concert of Europe, which had by methods of informal cooperation maintained a semblance of security since the rise of international law in the seventeenth century, gave way to two rival groups—the Triple alliance and the Triple entente. The state of mind thus created almost completely nullified, through fear and suspicion, the good will which the manifold agencies (religion, arts, science and commerce) of civilization had sought to establish.

It was on June 28, 1914, that the assassination in Sarajevo, Bosnia, of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand of Austria-Hungary and his wife precipitated what was later known as World War I. Exactly a month later Austria declared war on Serbia, and Russian, French and German mobilization followed within four days. It was on August 4th that Germany, now forced to fight on two fronts, sought to overthrow France quickly by pouring her troops across Belgium, in violation of that country's neutrality, and thereby gaining time by avoiding the mighty fortresses erected by France along her border. The war spread rapidly from nation to nation, but it was not until nearly three years later (April 6, 1917) that the United States actively entered the conflict following the infringement in numerous instances of American rights upon the sea—rights which were not contingent upon the action of any other government.

Since its foundation in 1839 the Virginia Military Institute had graduated but 2,484 men (1,051 in the past thirty years), many of them long since dead. However, she gave 1,830 fully trained men to the armed forces alone—the equivalent of about 32 per cent of the officers in the regular Army (5,791) at the outbreak of the World War. Included in the number were five general officers and 233 field officers of the Army; sixty Naval officers ranging in grade from ensign to captain, and seventy-seven officers of the Marine Corps.

The corps mustered 406 cadets at the outbreak of war. Every man in the graduating classes gave his services to the country—100 per cent Americanism of the most practical kind, for each of these men, to insure the peace of the world, trained hundreds of others.

The exigencies of war dictated the formation of six new branches of the army (chemical warfare, aviation, transportation, motor transport, construction and tank), two of which, the Construction Division of the Army and the Tank Corps, were organized and commanded by men who had been graduated from and served as commandant of cadets at V. M. I.

The mobilization of a great nation for war calls for manifold activities and among others we note the ambassador to Spain, one of the few non-combatant nations; the majority leader of the U. S. Senate; representatives, senators, consuls and, in fact, in almost every profession, and in elective or appointive positions, we find V. M. I. men.

World War I hostilities ceased at eleven o'clock on the morning of November 11, 1918, and there was much talk about the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, but at the Virginia Military Institute the coincidence with Founder's Day, the birthday of the Institute, was the subject of conversation. However, those versed in things chronological may have thought of November eleventh in 1777, when the General Assembly of Virginia passed an act providing for a "School of Instruction in the Art of Artillery and Fortification." Was this not the first military academy to be set up by law in the United States? Captain Loyaute, a French officer, who had brought over two of the French cannon which stand in front of the V. M. I. Barracks, was to have the rank of Colonel, to be director of the academy, and to teach gunnery, fortification, and kindred subjects.

In World War I many larger institutions gave more men than did the V. M. I.—none gave more trained men, and of this devoted band fifty-seven lost their lives.

"And so they received the grandest of all sepulchres, not that in which their mortal bones are laid, but a home in the minds of men where their glory remains first to stir to speech or action as the occasion comes by. For the sepulchre of famous men is the whole world, and their story is not graven only on the stone over their native earth, but lives on far away, without visible symbol, woven into the stuff of other men's lives."

Colonel William Couper
Historiographer, V. M. I.

BOOK FOUR



The Athletics



THE YEAR'S BEST IN ACTION: Ray Tamalis (62) moves overland behind excellent interference by Vince Ragunas (35) and Fritz Crytzer (33), in the rugged V. P. I. game

THE VARSITY COACHES



Head Coach Arthur W. "Slick" Morton (center) holds a pow-wow on the practice field with Assistants Lou Brownson (left) and "Pop" Strange

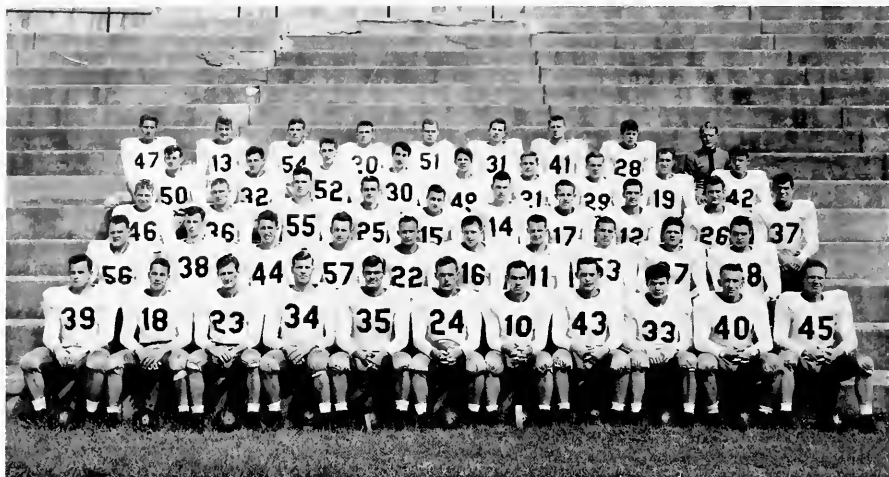
These are the men responsible for molding a varsity football team out of fifty assorted candidates every September. They have done their job well. This past season marked the completion of two years, successful years, of service to the V. M. I. Coach Arthur W. "Slick" Morton and his able assistants, Clarence "Pop" Strange and "Lou" Brownson have earned for themselves the admiration and appreciation of every Cadet and Alumnus. Their work has not been without its trials and tribulations, and they have found the "V. M. I. way" quite different from anything in their native Louisiana. The "Spirit" has become as much a part of their itinerary as the quarterback sneak and fullback special. The smooth-working precision plays which evolve from the sparkling "T" formation they introduced have been the rave of sportswriters wherever their team has appeared, as have their two outstanding proteges, Bob Thomason of 1948 and Malachi Mills of 1947. The Corps is proud of these men and the work they have done, and look for many more "Squadrons" which will live up to the name "Fighting."



Morton

Brownson

Strange



The Varsity Football Squad: Front Row, Left to Right: Bill Neftsinger, Tom Hedge, Kirby Bernich, Cameron Thompson, Vince Ragunas, Captain Jim Cobb, Jack Hutchinson, Ken Carrington, Ira Crytzer, Charles Schluter, Claude Patton. Second Row: Jackson Davis, Howard Bass, Dick McFarlin, Les Spellings, Ray Tamalis, J. W. Sheffield, Peyton Robertson, Jack Lowdon, Harold Reed, Frank McGee. Third Row: Bill Venable, E. J. Hill, Claude Eley, Freddie Anson, Bill Harrison, George Oliver, Jimmy Gill, Joe Valtre, Eddie Lutes, Thatcher Watson. Fourth Row: George Stock, Joe Adesh, Lee Odell, Jim McDonald, Bland Wilson, Paul Shrader, Bill Graf, Johnny Ledy, Bill Leck. Back Row: Bob Thomason, Jimmy Coley, Bob Smith, Jerry Eggleston, Tommy Phillips, Joe Stump, Willard Hays, Taylor Hay and Manager Bob Ellett.

VARSITY FOOTBALL

A splendid 6-3 record tells the tale of one of the most successful seasons on the gridiron a V. M. I. team has had in the past twenty years. It was a season which saw Bobby Thomason's slingshot arm earn praises from all over the South. The Keydet quarterback climaxed four years of brilliant passing and all-around good play by completing 95 passes for the season. This was the third best record for passing in the nation.

Losing only to William and Mary, Virginia, and Tulane, the V. M. I. gridders were led by Captain Jim Cobb, 185-pound guard from Blytheville, Arkansas. They closed the season with a resounding

33-7 victory over Virginia Tech, the largest margin a V. M. I. team has ever won by in the annual "Military Classic of the South." The following is a resume of the season, game by game:

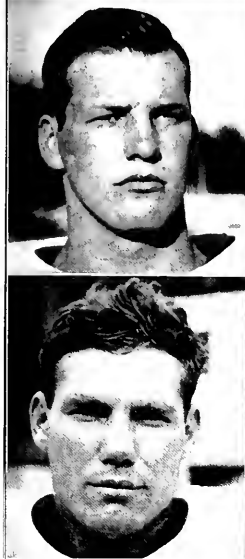
V. M. I. 28

Catawba 6

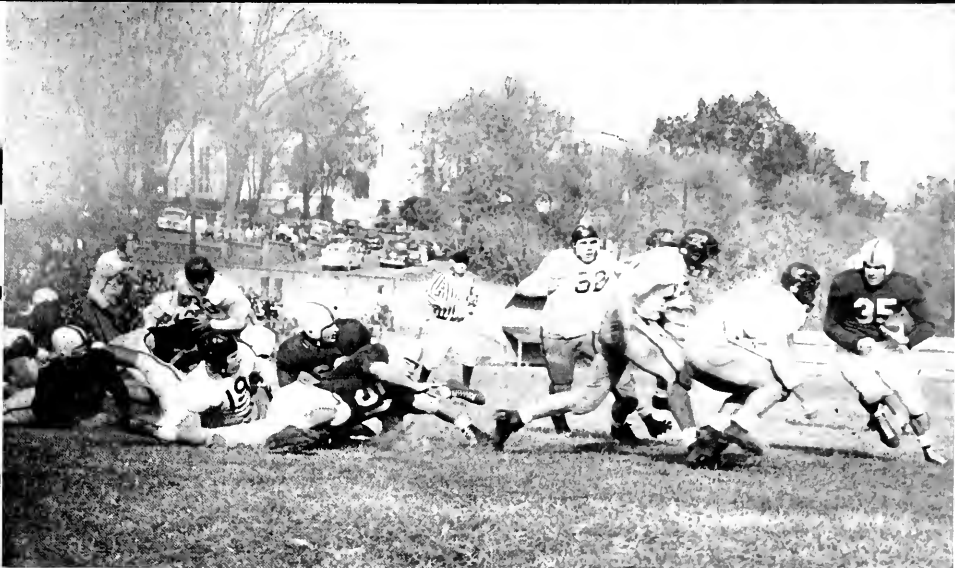
Opening with always strong little Catawba College, of Salisbury, N. C., Coach "Slick" Morton's charges gave hint of things to come by unleashing a powerful attack, both afoot and through the air. Bobby Thomason, Jack Hutchinson, and Third Classman Joe Stump were individual stars. Thomason completed 10 of 16 forwards for 156 yards, one for a touchdown. Bobby also car-



Stalwarts of the Keydet line are—Left to Right: Bob Smith, tackle; Cameron Thompson, guard; Captain Jim Cobb, guard, and Charles Schluter, tackle



Top: Cameron Thompson
Bottom: Bob Smith



Big Vince sets his jaw and plows over a pair of 'Cats'



Bobby Thomason, rifle-armed "T" quarterback of the Flying Squadron

ried the ball 18 yards after he failed to find a clear receiver. The brilliant Stump gained 108 yards on ten carries into the heavy Indian line. Hutchinson intercepted an Indian pass and went 75 yards for the first V. M. I. score of the game. He averaged 48.25 yards per punt to take the lead among kickers in the national statistics. Bill Graf place-kicked four of four points after touchdown. The North State Conference Champs from Carolina intercepted a flat pass in the fourth quarter to keep alive their modern times scoring streak of 79 games. It was in this game that Coach Arthur W. Morton introduced the "two-team" system to the enthusiastic crowd of 4,000 on Alumni Field.

V. M. I. 26
George Washington 6

George Washington's Colonials found to their dismay that Bobby Thomason's passing prowess was a thing to be reckoned with. The much heralded duel between Thomason and G. W. U.'s freshman sensation, Andy Davis, failed to

Red" Patton knots the score at seven-all in New Orleans as Bob Smith lays a fine block



Ragunas stood this Davidsonian on his bean



materialize as Davis was held to a net gain of zero yards. Fritz Crytzer, senior end, came into the limelight by making a circus catch of a Thomason pass in the end zone for V. M. I.'s first marker. Al Dugoff, Colonial back, returned a Les Spelling's kick-off 71 yards for the Washingtonians' only touchdown. In all, Thomason brought his total completions to 27 by tossing 17 for 165 yards. Vince Ragunas chewed up yardage by gaining consistently via the Squadron's pet play, the "fullback special."

V. M. I. 0
William and Mary 31

V. M. I.'s undefeated record received its first blemish at the hands of Coach Rube McCray's powerful Indians from Williamsburg in the Oyster Bowl at Norfolk. The entire Corps witnessed the struggle in which the green-clad Braves used their tremendous line to rush Bob Thomason off his feet each time he faded to pass. Jack Cloud, All-American fullback, was in top form and ripped the scrappy V. M. I. line for two touchdowns. Jack Hutchinson's running and Vince Ragunas' line-backing were shining lights in the 31-0 debacle. It was the roughest contest the Big Red Team played in all season, and poor officiating brought many comments from the coaching staff. The Indians struck through the air all afternoon as the Keydet pass defense seemed to fall apart. The V. M. I. "Spirit" brought words of tribute from all who witnessed the team fall before the big W. & M. squad which was on the rebound from an upset at the hands of Wake Forest the week before.

V. M. I. 9
Richmond 0

A ten-yard forward pass from Bobby Thomason to Eddie Lutes and a field goal from ten yards out by Bill Graf spelled victory number three for the Flying Squadron and defeat for the University of Richmond Spiders. The Squadron outclassed the Spiders in all phases of statistics, gaining 228 yards rushing as compared with Richmond's 66 and 73 yards passing to 16 for the hosts. The only night game of the season was witnessed by 6,000 fans in City Stadium, Richmond. Jack Hutchinson was in his best form of the year until he was injured on a vicious tackle by Bernie Hofbauer. The loss was mourned by every V. M. I. supporter

Jack Lowden prepares to apply a bearhug on Catawba's Bill Speacht as Jimmy Gill comes up for an assist



and left a big hole in the halfback spot that wasn't to be filled until The Thanksgiving Day Classic. Jimmy Gill, George Stock, Billy Noftsinger, Jim Cobb, and Tom Phillips led the Keydet defensive line which completely checked highly touted Ed "Sugar" Ralston, the Spiders' bruising fullback. Cameron Thompson and Ken Carington opened big holes in the Spider forewall for the thrusts of Hutchinson, Ragunas, and Stump.

V. M. I. 14
Virginia 26
Too many tall, aggressive ends



Billy Noftsinger
George Stock
Ira Crytzer

and the passing of Joe McCary and Steve Osisek brought about V. M. I.'s second defeat at the hands of Virginia's Cavaliers. The Keydets opened the game with a bang, driving 70 yards from their own six to the Cavalier 24 before a 15-yard clipping penalty ended the march. Virginia then moved to the V. M. I. four where the line, led by Tom Hedge and Tommy Phillips, rose to the situation and repulsed the Wahoos. Paul Shrader, subbing for the injured Hutchinson, punted to the 38, from which point the Cavaliers went on to score. It was again a case of too little pass defense, just as in the William and Mary game. Paul Shrader performed admirably as a stand-in for Jack Hutchinson, and Joe Stump sparked the ground game. Bobby Thomason threw the pigskin with his usual accuracy, but his receivers were frequently covered. A beautiful run by Claude Patton accounted for a V. M. I. score in the fourth quarter on a pass from Thomason. Ray Tamalis scored the other six-pointer on a run from the six-yard line.

V. M. I. 33
Davidson 6

Davidson's Wildcats fell victim to Bob Thomason's great passing before 5,000

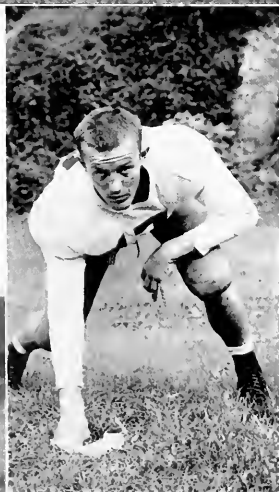
Home-Coming Day fans on Alumni Field. Thomason turned in one of his greatest exhibitions as he passed for four touchdowns and scored a fifth on a quarterback sneak from the one. Big Vince Ragunas opened the game with a beautiful 64-yard run on the first play from scrimmage on the now famous "full-back special." Ragunas was equally effective with his bull-like rushes all afternoon. "Bullet Bobby" locked horns in a passing duel with Davidson's Auburn Lambeth, an eighteen-year-old sophomore, who kept the game from becoming a complete runaway. Jerry Eggleston was a rock as defensive center, while Tommy Phillips spent most of the game in the Davidson backfield. Thatcher Watson scored three touchdowns via Thomason passes. One of his catches was a beauty. Running to his left, Watson got his fingertips on the oval and juggled it for a fraction of a second before finally gathering it in in the end zone.

V. M. I. 7
Tulane 28

The mighty Tulane Green Wave was fought to a standstill for three quarters before 25,000 amazed onlookers in the New Orleans Sugar Bowl Stadium. Pre-game

Joe Stump takes a hand-off from Bob Thomason for five yards as Bill Harrison fakes into the line against Citadel





Jack Hutchinson
"Hutch" makes a beautiful catch in the Tech end zone
Vince Ragunas

Joe Stump
Jimmy Gill

estimates had placed the Greenies as four or five touchdown favorites, but the magic right arm of Bob Thomason again cast a spell on a V. M. I. opponent. Not only did Thomason complete 11 passes for 116 yards, but he ripped off gains of 9, 25, and 13 yards through the stout Tulane line. The wave was perturbed no end by the fighting cadet forward wall, which opened its defenses only before the slashing charges of Eddie Price, the Tulane fullback who snared top national ground-gaining honors for the year. The score was 14-7 going into the final period, but at this point superior manpower began to tell on the wearers of the Red, White and Yellow, and Tulane scored two quick markers on short passes. Claude "Red" Patton duplicated his scoring run of the Virginia game by carrying another Thomason aerial to pay-dirt for a tying touchdown in the first quarter. Patton received the flat pass on the 15-yard line, headed for the goal-line, then completely reversed his field to cut behind a wall of blockers and go over standing up.

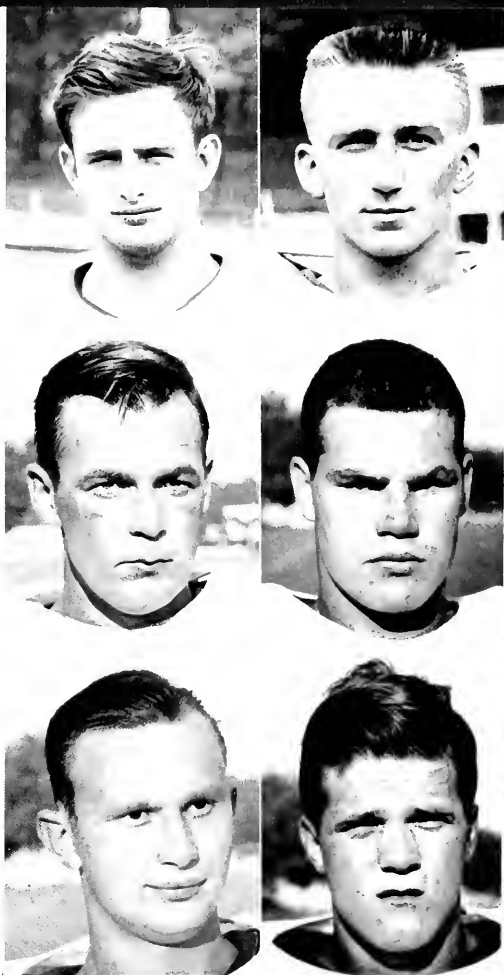
V. M. I.	34
The Citadel.	6

Avenging a 7-6 upset in '47, the Flying Squadron took the measure of the Citadel Bulldogs in their final appearance on Alumni Field for the year. It was all Thomason once again, and the Bulldogs never had a chance. Thomason passed for two touchdowns and came within a camel's hair of scoring another himself when he ran forty yards to the Citadel eight-yard line in the first period. Freddie Anson came into his own in this game and together with Ray Tamalis kept the Bulldog defenses reeling. Little Joe Veltri pitched his first touchdown pass of the year, a 26-yarder to Fritz Crytzer in the end zone. The week this game was played word spread that Bobby Thomason, Jack Hutchinson, and Cameron Thompson had received bids to play in the annual Blue-Gray football game in Montgomery, Alabama. The win over the Citadel also boosted V. M. I. into third place in the Southern Conference standings.

V. M. I.	33
V. P. I.	7

Bobby Thomason wrote finis to a spectacular season and four years of outstanding play at V. M. I. by leading his mates to glorious victory against the arch rival, Virginia Polytechnic Insti-

tute. It was the greatest single day's work of his career for Thomason, as he completed 17 passes for 235 yards to completely wreck the Gobblers' chances of notching a win into their victoryless record for 1948. V. M. I. went into the game two touchdown favorites, but in the first quarter V. P. I. roared to a touchdown the first time they got their hands on the ball and things were looking black indeed until Thomason unlimbered his throwing arm and began connecting with his receivers. The Big Red evened the count at seven-all in the second quarter and the half ended with that score. No sooner had V. M. I. gotten the ball in the third period than Thomason was in there pitching again. Short passes to Jack Hutchinson, Jack Lowden, Fritz Crytzer, Red Patton and Thatcher Watson doomed the Gobblers who tried desperately to cover Thomason's receivers. Ray Tamalis plunged for two TD's, Joe Stump traveled twenty yards for another, and passes to Watson and Hutchinson accounted for the remaining two. Thomason was awarded the honor of "Outstanding Back" by sportswriters at the game, and Tom Phillips got the nod as "Outstanding Lineman." George Stock made his final game his best, as did Jim Cobb, Cameron Thompson, Jimmy Gill, Billy Noftsinger, Vince Ragunas, Jack Hutchinson, Fritz Crytzer, Harold Reed, and Bob Smith, all seniors, who participated in their last game for V. M. I.



Eddy Lutes
Capt. Jim Cobb
Ray Tamalis

"Chunky" Schluter
Tommy Phillips
"Red" Reed

Crytzer chugs away on his forty-yard run with a Thomason pass

"Fritz" goes up for this one in Gobbler territory





1. Heave Ho!



2. Red's all up in the air



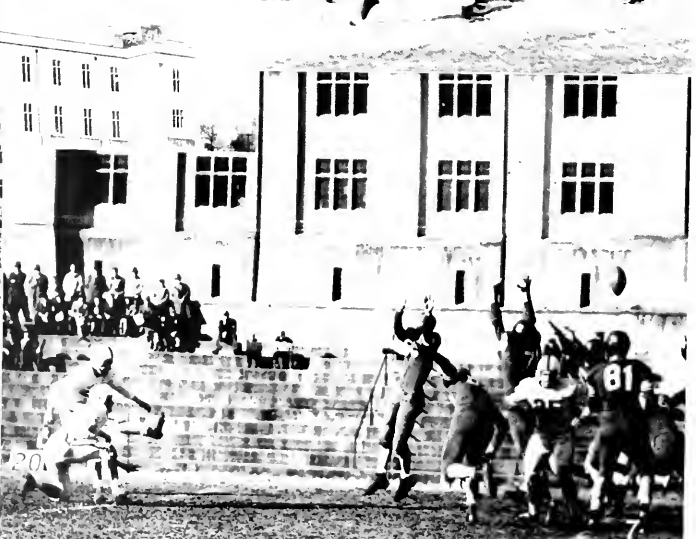
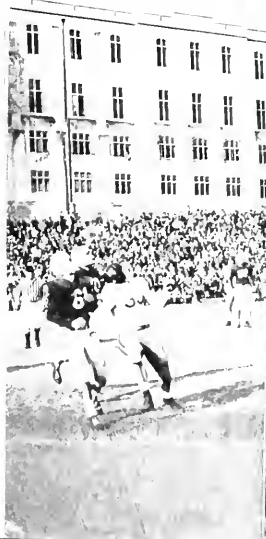
3. Wildcats can't stop Lowden



4. Thatcher hits pay dirt



5. Stump sweeps the ends



6. Thomason to Anson—20 yards

7. Beano splits the uprights



The Rat Football Team: Front Row, Left to Right: Bob Lambert, Stillman Chesson, Joe Fortunato, Pat Spurgeon, Tommy Birge, Francis Powell, Chris Holland, Gil Buckingham, Jack Duncan, Johnny Walker. Second Row: Bob Nymen, Weir Goodwin, Neil Petree, Jay Grumbling, Pete Meekins, Jack Hardy, Pat Barry, George Ripley, Jim Byrom, Tommy Sokol. Third Row: George Robinson, Joe Brewer, Clarence Goldacker, Carl Miller, Mark Hillman, Chuck Coulson, Bob Leighty, Dick Stuver, Bill Deihl, Jack Lenford, Bill Brohany. Fourth Row: Bill Howard, Frank Fuest, Jimmy Spellings, Yancey Clark, Don Harvey, Jack Guidon, Warren Meola, George St. John, Cliff Biram, Al Navas, Jim Miller. Fifth Row: Manager R. A. Moncure, Miles Hutchinson, Mack Cokel, Gary Colonna, Dan Robertson, Bill Brown, Charlie Moore, Chuck Haley, Ray Gilchrist, Gary Pittman, John Portasik, Jack Frankeburger, Manager Tommy Phillips.

RAT FOOTBALL

This year marked the return to V. M. I. of Rat football. Coach Charles T. Manley's squad started the season off in grand style, defeating the Richmond Baby Spiders 32-14 and then steam-rolling Greenbrier Military 52-0. However, here the Rats ran into bad luck and lost in succession to A. M. A. 26-13 on bad ball handling, to the University of Virginia Cavayearlings 19-12 with bad breaks, and closed the season by losing to the V. P. I. Freshmen 6-0.

Although this was only a fair season for a team that was supposed to be V. M. I.'s "Fabulous Freshmen," they should bring to V. M. I. the State, if not the Conference, title in two or three years.

The outstanding linesmen for the Little Red were left end, Jay Grumbling and Jack Frankeburger, a 215-pound right tackle. Grumbling is a sticky-fingered end who doesn't miss and was high scorer on the team with 24 points. He caught two passes against Greenbrier and one each at A. M. A. and Richmond. Frankeburger was a tower of strength the whole season and played his greatest game at University of Virginia, making nearly fifty per cent of the team's tackles.

In the backfield, Tommy Birge, Joe Fortunato, Pat Spurgeon and Francis Powell were the big four. Birge, for three years the most valuable player in the metropolitan area of Washington, showed himself to be All-Conference material with his running, passing, and defensive work. Joe Fortunato did likewise, resembling Joe Muha as a full back and line backer. Spurgeon and Powell should both gain honors as varsity players with the Big Red.



Coach Charles T. Manley



Front Row, Left to Right: Perry, Bell, Bass, Harrison, Liddell, Robertson, Avery, Sweeney, Fain
 Second Row: Schluter, Harrington, Ross, Eva, Rammel, Oliver, Bristow, Akers
 Third Row: Coach Strange, Manager Johnston, Hunt, Adeeb, McFarlin, Lawrence, Carstens, Leddy, Lowden, Thornton

TRACK

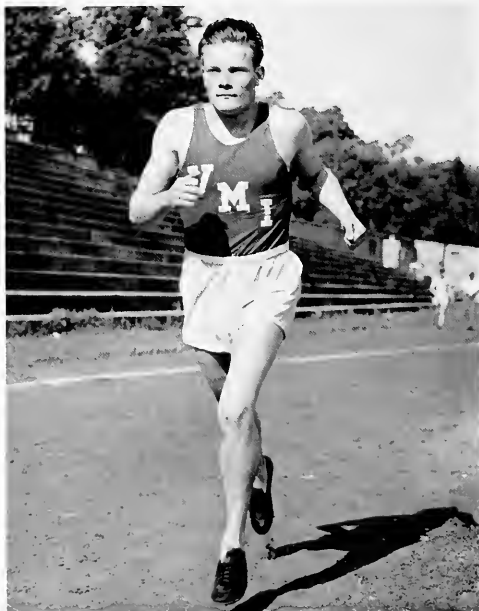
The V. M. I. track team finished the 1948 season with a record of three wins and two losses in dual meets and a third place in the State meet to bring to a close its most successful postwar season. Although the Keydets boasted several outstanding stars, the team was hurt by a lack of men who could be counted on for second and third places, a handicap which was largely responsible for the two dual meet losses.

The team was captained by Frank Liddell, who went through the season without a single defeat being charged against him. Liddell's best time of the year came in the Southern Conference meet, when he went the two mile distance in nine minutes and thirty-three seconds, to break the old record of 9:38.4. Incidentally, Liddell was invited to the Olympic tryouts, but, possibly because R. O. T. C. summer camp prevented his getting into top shape, he was unable to qualify.

The first meet of the season saw the Keydets get away to a flying start with an 88 to 38 victory over Roanoke College. The maroons were never in the running as V. M. I.'s thinclads placed at least two men in every event and took most of the firsts.

The second meet saw the Keydets on the short end of a 75 to 50 score at Charlottesville, as the Wahos, later to become State champs, picked up point after point in the sprints and hurdles, while the lads from Lexington took most of the field and distance events.

The unfortunate Spiders from Richmond were the next victims of the V. M. I. aggregation, and this



Captain Frank Liddell



FRANK LIDDELL BREAKING 2-MILE RECORD

meet saw the Keydets pile up their biggest score in years—101 points to 30 for the Spiders.

William and Mary fell next by a score of 74 to 56. Bobby Bell continued his winning ways with the shot put as he threw the sixteen-pound weight forty-six feet and six inches to defeat the Indians' Lou Creekmur. Bell, one of the most versatile men on the team, also threw the discus and performed in the high jump and broad jump.

V. P. I. spoiled the season's ending by handing the Keydets a 77-56 defeat. The Gobblers' ace two-miler, Shelton, gave Liddell a close race in this meet, but as usual the blond Texan came through in grand style.

The State meet saw the Keydets take four first places, but a lack of depth kept them from garnering enough seconds and thirds. The result was that the University of Virginia won the Championship and V. M. I. placed third, a few points behind William and Mary. Frank Liddell was not pressed as he galloped home far ahead of the field in the two-mile event. Bill Harrison turned in his best time of the season, 49.9 seconds, in the 440, and captured that event for the Institute thincads. Jack Hutchinson won the discus throw, and Bell tossed the shot 45 feet 8 inches to take that event. Charlie Avery, who officially gained a tie with a William and Mary man in the 880, later learned in a letter from that Indian that photographs had shown Avery to be the winner.

The V. M. I. aggregation really had no great hopes of winning the Southern Conference title, but the two-mile race was watched as if it were to be the deciding factor of the meet, for in this event Frank Liddell was to meet the defending co-champion from U. N. C., Sam Magill. Magill was slightly favored, and for a while it looked as if he would live up to his advance billing, for he led through the first four laps, but at the fifth lap Liddell was 20 yards back and gaining. By the end of the sixth the Keydet was very close, and through the seventh and first part of the eighth the lead changed hands several times, but coming into the back stretch on the last lap Liddell stretched out, passed Magill, and won going away to set a new conference record.





Bottom Row, Left to Right: Bragg, Chaplin, Ellis, Smallwood, Captain Hening, Martin, Bolvig, Perry, Jordan
 Middle Row: Dooley, Pitot, Marshall, Taylor, Hawkins, Bailey, Lunsford, Templeton, Allen, Waring, Nard, Dashiell
 Back Row: McFarlin, Costello, Eggleston, Jones, Andrews, Barr, Flagge, Rowen, Meredith, Blackwell, McWane, Van Hook. Not in photo: Erskine Williams

VARSITY WRESTLING

THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

Washington and Lee dominated the competition at the 1948 Southern Conference wrestling tournament and scored 41 points by taking six of the eight first places in addition to one second, but they were still unable to produce the outstanding wrestler of the tournament. That honor was carried back to V. M. I. by Fred Moyer, captain of the Keydets, who annexed his second Southern Conference championship and led his team into a tie for second place.

Moyer was the underdog when he reached the finals and Washington and Lee's great grappler, Cal Guest. Guest was able to gain the advantage at first with a quick takedown, but Moyer pulled a surprisingly fast switch. After two minutes and forty-eight seconds of the first period, the figure four and reverse nelson did the trick and Moyer was still champion of the 121-pounders and undefeated in his class.

V. M. I. also had a runner-up in heavy weight Bill Blackwell, who was pinned by Bill George, of

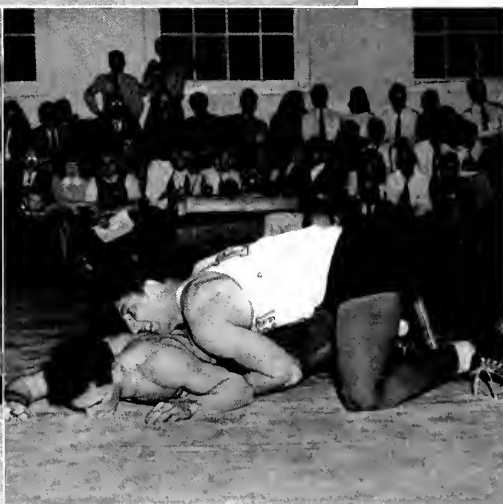
Wake Forest, in the first period. Blackwell, outweighed by 60 pounds, brought the crowd to its feet early in the fracas when he reversed his mammoth opponent, but he was unable to maintain his advantage and so became the victim of a reverse nelson and crotch hold.

Two Keydets lost on referees' decisions in the semifinals. Clark Hening lost to Lonergan, of W. & L., after a very hard fight which ended in a point tie; "Smoe" Perry lost to Gurney, of Maryland, under the same conditions.

The V. M. I. team finished the meet with 17 points in a tie with North Carolina State for second place.



Barnestormers, Left to Right: Clark Hening, Captain; Mack Allen, Pete Meredith, Bill Blackwell, Erwin Perry, and Charles Bragg



"Rock" Moyer pins Cal Guest with a half-nelson and figure four to win the Southern Conference 121-pound title.

Moyer sets the stage for his first period win by knocking Guest to the mat.

Bill Blackwell is overwhelmed by Wake Forest's Bill George in the finals.

ACTION IN THE CONFERENCE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT



Lacrosse Team: Kneeling, Left to Right: Norris, Manager; Ambrose, Wallace, Burckell, Raffensperger, Boehm, Nichol, Thomas, Graf
Standing: Hart, Marble, Thornton, Muir, Hill, Gonzales, Eggleston, Mitchell, Connolly, Leitheiser, Captain Richards, Coach. Absent:
Reynolds, Manager

LACROSSE

Through the efforts of Captain Richards and several interested cadets, Lacrosse has once again been revived at V. M. I. Though it does not receive as much publicity as accorded the major sports it has been started with very satisfactory and assuring results. This year, with Captain Richards as coach, the team played two games, beating the Norfolk Extension of William and Mary and losing to a strong University of Virginia team. On the attack for the Keydets were Raffensberger, Wallace, and Porterfield; at midfield, Ambrose, Boehm, and Hart; on defense, Nichols and Eggleston; guarding the goal was Burckell. The reserves included Muir, Leitheiser, Thomas, Lynd, and Marble. In spite of little support, a short schedule, and the fact that Lacrosse is not a monogram sport, these men worked hard all season on their own time and certainly deserve a lot of credit for their spirit. As yet Lacrosse is not an official sport, but if it is authorized by the athletic council the team will have a full schedule, improved equipment, and a year's valuable experience. Since no one will be lost by graduation, the 1949 season promises to be a very successful one.



Coach Richards gives a few pointers to Co-Captains Boehm and Raffensperger

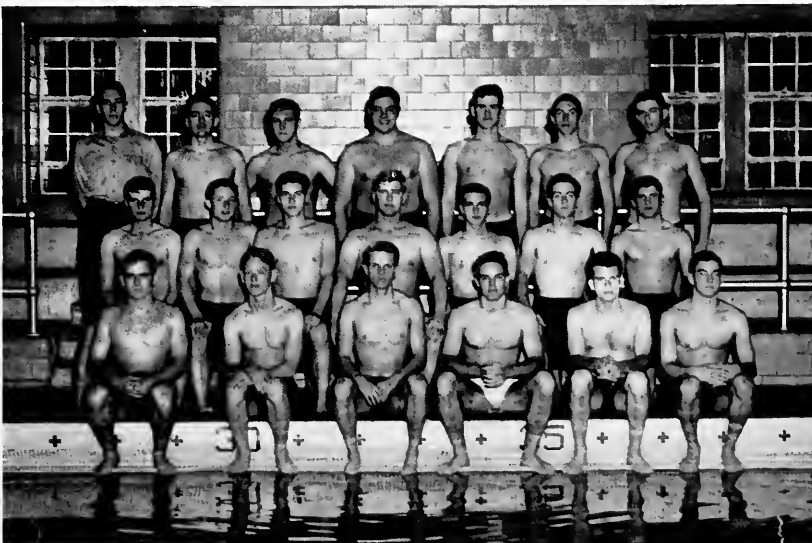
With a strong 1947-48 combine virtually intact, V. M. I. faces a schedule which is worthy of her staunchest efforts. Meets with such powerful opponents as the University of North Carolina, the University of Virginia, Duke, North Carolina State, V. P. I., and William and Mary will test the mettle of this team which is still growing with strength and ability, and should produce a season of unlimited interest to the followers of the tank sport. As a team devoid of individual stars, the Keydet team boasts an assemblage built upon depth surrounding a nucleus of such seasoned performers as Dick Martin and George Maxwell in the dives, Bob Raeburn, Axel Bolvig, Andy Maggard, Skip Stephens, and Phil Barton in the sprint and middle distance freestyle events, Dave and Stock Fleming in the freestyle distance events, Johnny West and "Moe" Michaux in the backstroke, and Vic Parks in the breast stroke. If gruelling work and spirit can still produce, look for the 1948-49 squad to be one of the strongest in V. M. I.'s swimming history.



Coach Ken Runquist

V. M. I.		
59.....	Roanoke.....	16
62.....	G. W.....	13
35.....	N. C. State.....	40
24.....	U. N. C.....	51
39.....	V. P. I.....	36
33.....	U. Va.....	42
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State Meet: Second place.
Conference Meet: Fourth place.



Front Row, Left to Right: Enochs, Bolvig, Captain Maggard, Martin, Wright, West
Second Row: Windfree, Barton, Johns, S. Fleming, Green, Greathead, Parks
Third Row: Coach Runquist, Michaux, Green, Kritzmacher, D. Fleming, Taylor, Stephens



Third Baseman Tommy Kelly and Shortstop Bobby Thomason close a trap on a George Washington Colonial caught between third and home in Griffith Stadium, Washington, D. C.

The 1948 season was a tough one for the Keydet nine. Coach Lou Brownson, in his first year as head baseball mentor, carried the Big Red through a rugged sixteen-game schedule. Despite Brownson's great coaching and the traditional spirit of the team, the squad ended the season with a disappointing record of six wins and ten losses.

The Keydets opened the season with a loss to West Virginia, but things were looking brighter when the Squadron won the next two games, both against Roanoke College. Two defeats later, V. M. I. came through with a well earned 5-2 victory over a seasoned Richmond University team. The squad suffered a let-down in the next contest, however, when William



Front Row: Left to Right: Assistant Manager Evans, Thomas, Dawson, Gray, Pritchard, Green, Kelly, Mascot Fuller
Back Row: Manager Rawles, Hedge, Anson, Harwood, Mann, Chryssikos, Lutes, Williford, Patton, Coach Brownson

and Mary scored ten runs in the first inning to trounce the Keydets finally by 11-4. The one encouraging point in this loss was Oliver "Red" Williford's long home run, indicating the highly touted Rat catcher had plenty of power at bat, besides being among the top receivers in the state.

It was rough going from then on for the Red team, for they entered into a prolonged losing streak. Pitcher Eddie Lutes appeared to be headed for an upset win over the classy Cavaliers from the University of Virginia, but his defensive support blew up and the Wahoos overcame a 5-2 deficit in the last half of the ninth to hand the Keydets another loss, 6-5. Left Fielder Al Green showed plenty of power as he blasted out two triples, but they weren't enough, and a great effort went down in the books as just another loss.

High point of the season was V. M. I.'s upset victory over the University of Maryland. Maryland went into the game knowing that a victory for them meant the Southern Conference Championship, but the Keydets were on fire, and couldn't be beaten that day. Tom Harwood, the Institute's big gun, was on the mound. Harwood weathered a stormy first inning to gain complete control of some of the most potent batters in the Conference. The V. M. I. defense stiffened behind Harwood with several great plays, including two double plays in crucial moments. Bobby Thomason, adding more laurels to his great athletic record at V. M. I., banged a tremendous 450-foot home run to lead a powerful Keydet batting attack which drove four Maryland pitchers to the showers. The final score was: V. M. I., 11; Maryland, 3.

The other two wins came by way of forfeits, both at the expense of George Washington, which unknowingly was using a professional ball-player in its line-up.

Although the team's record was none too good, Coach Brownson pointed with pride to the performances of several of his pupils. Little Doug Pritchard, Captain and leading hitter, managed to keep the team hustling at all times with his fine inspirational leadership. Although lacking in depth, the pitching staff produced two dependable hurlers in Eddie Lutes and Tom Harwood. "Red" Williford and Bobby Thomason came through with stellar seasons, as did Claude Patton and hustling Homer Chryssikos, the wiry little ball of fire. "Bootie" Mann, Tommy Kelly, and Johnny Gray all showed plenty and could be counted on for good clutch playing.

With only one key man missing in 1949, the V. M. I. baseball team is looking for a greatly improved season.



Lou Brownson
Coach

Doug Pritchard
Captain

Dick Rawles
Manager



Front Row, Left to Right: Eley, O'Neill, Nolly, Barton, Poag, Hanson
Back Row: Manager Walthour, Thompson, Williams, Gantt, Schaumburg, Angell, Winfree

TENNIS



Manager Charles Walthour supplies Co-Captains Gantt and Bennett with fresh balls

The V. M. I. tennis team in its second postwar season won four matches and lost five. It was coached by Captain Davisson for the second straight year. Leading the Keydet netters was Joe Gantt, Captain of the team, who won all of his matches except one. Besides Gantt in the singles were Henry Bennet, Erskine Williams, Thurston Angell, Norris Thompson and Bill Schaumburg. The doubles teams consisted of Gantt and Williams, Bennet and Angell, and Schaumburg and Mark Hanson. In their first match of the season they easily defeated Albright, but in their second the netmen were beaten by Maryland. However, on the following week they put in a win over a strong Georgetown team and continued on the victory road by beating Hampden-Sydney in their fourth contest. This two-game winning streak was broken when the racqueteers were edged out by both George Washington and Lynchburg College. They bounced back by beating Bridgewater, but closed out the season by losing to Lynchburg College again and Duke. Since the team lost only one man, Joe Gantt, by graduation, we may look forward to a very successful 1949 season.

GOLF



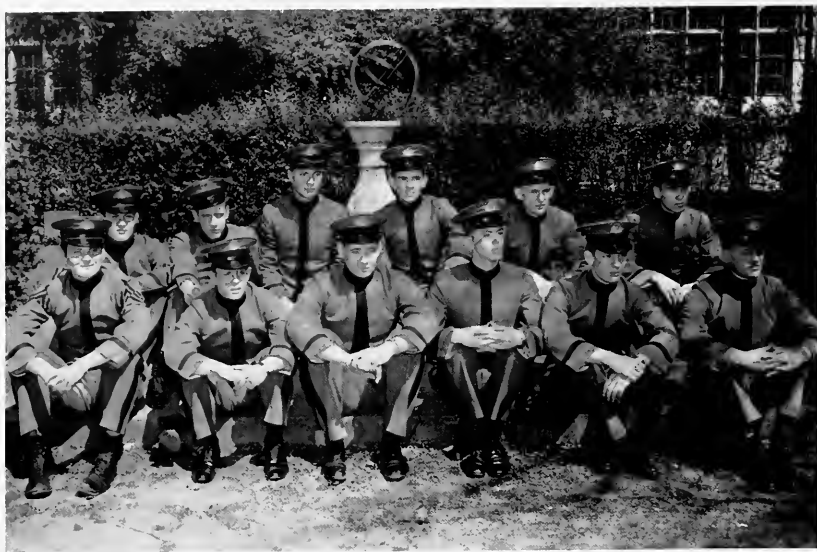
Vaughn Maxwell
Captain

The Keydet linksmen, led by Vaughn Maxwell, captain of the team, and coached by Colonel Mayo, gained a .500 average record this year. The team, although hampered somewhat by the loss of several men by graduation, still made their opponents work for every point they scored. Playing for the team this year were Vaughn Maxwell, George Maxwell, Braxton Green, Jim Pringle, Rod Kallgren, Al Green, and Willie Shelley. George Maxwell showed great promise and gives every indication of becoming an outstanding golfer before his cadetship has ended. They won their first match of the season easily, defeating Franklin and Marshall College; however, the following week they lost to George Washington, one of the

strongest teams in the conference. In their third match they edged out a highly favored Maryland team, but in their next match they lost to the University of Virginia. They once again resumed their winning ways by defeating Hampden-Sydney handily with every man winning his round. They closed the season by losing to V. P. I. Although the team will lose five men through graduation, they will still present strong competition by retaining Braxton Green, George Maxwell, and several outstanding prospects.



Left to Right: Shelley, Kallgren, Pringle, Green, A. A., Maxwell, V. L., Green, H. B., Maxwell, G. M., Hawthorne



Bottom Row, Left to Right: Manager Upshaw, Ellis, Rearick, Captain Crane, Bryant, Shrader
Back Row: McLoney, Mason, Thomas, Roberts, Galliher, Silver

RIFLE TEAM

The 1948 version of the V. M. I. Rifle team may be truthfully called a great success, for it fulfilled all of its expectations and many more besides. Under the expert leadership of Ed Crane, team captain, and Charles Upshaw, manager, the team progressed rapidly from a shabby, poorly organized outfit in October to a snappy, precision shooting team in April. They gave a surprisingly excellent account of themselves in the final match at Annapolis, in which they placed seventh among all teams competing for the rifle championship of eastern United States. Such outstanding men as Cameron Roberts, George Mason, Doug McLoney, "Tomas" Thomas, and Ernie Reinhold led the squad to its successful matches throughout the season, and too much credit cannot be given the able coaching of Master Sergeant William Zollman. Plans for the 1949 rifle team are already getting underway, with Doug McLoney as captain, and George Mason, Ernie Reinhold, Fred Silver, and Tom Kilby as capable replacements for Ed Crane, Cameron Roberts, and Charlie Upshaw, who will be graduated before the outset of the regular season. All signs point to another highly successful season.

POLO

The 1948 polo team, the last to ever represent V. M. I. on the polo field, was coached by Lieutenant James Fitts, and ably captained by George Ashby. The team this year did not enjoy the most successful of seasons, but it wasn't the worst ever, by far. Two trips, one to Miami, to play Miami University in the Orange Bowl, and the trip to Orange, New Jersey, for the inter-collegiates, stood out. V. M. I.'s schedule included only two college teams, Miami, to whom we lost, and Cornell, whom we played twice, once in a scheduled season game, and once in the one that counted, the second round of the inter-collegiates. The season schedule included Rolling Rock Polo Club, Middleburg Polo Club, Camden independent team, and Cornell and Miami, previously mentioned.

The team was comprised of Captain George Ashby, the two-man, John Haggerty, the one-man, Billy Whitehurst, the three-man, with Edwin Bowers filling in as the fourth man in outdoor matches. Other men on the squad were Joe Kovarik, Jack Neunhoffer, Benny Harmon, Pete Bowers, and Tommy Barr. V. M. I. has seen the last of Institute polo teams, but the last one, the 1948 team, will long be remembered as one of the finest.



The Starting Four, Left to Right: Jim Haggerty, Eddie Bowers, Billy Whitehurst and George Ashby



Left to Right: Haggerty, Ed Bowers, Whitehurst, Ashby, Coach Fitts, Barr, Pete Bowers, Kovarik, Harmon



Kneeling, Left to Right: Rammel, Liddell, Captain Avery, Ross, Lawrence, Thornton
 Standing: Hemple, Harrington, Sweeney, Tuxhorn, Col. H. M. Read, Chiang, Morgan, Blakemore,
 Manager Johnston

CROSS-COUNTRY

The 1948 edition of the V. M. I. Cross-Country Team finished the season with a record of one win, two losses, and an eighth place in the Conference meet. The outstanding runner was Frank Liddell, captain of last year's team and holder of the Southern Conference two-mile record of 9:33.2. Frank was pressed by Team Captain Charlie Avery and Bob Hemple, two holdovers from last year.

The harriers opened the season by defeating Richmond University 24 to 33. The Keydets captured first, third and fourth. Liddell was first, Hemple third, and Jimmy Harrington fourth.

Next, the team journeyed to Wahoolland and came home on the short end of a 22-35 score. Again, Liddell was first, but the Cavaliers copped the following four places. Bob Hemple and Jimmy Harrington were sixth and seventh.

Five days later, V. P. I. came to Lexington, and the Keydets went down in defeat, 11-43. The Gobblers took first, third, fourth, fifth and seventh. The best that V. M. I. could do was Liddell's second.

V. M. I. closed its season with the Southern Conference meet at Maryland. Frank Liddell finished his collegiate career by taking second place, and V. M. I., as a team, took seven out of eight.

The "poor little rich boys" of V. M. I. athletics are the hard-working men of the Cross-Country squad. Poor, because of their lack of recognition, yet rich in spirit and sporting a fighting record, they are unsung heroes. Tutored by the grand coach of more than a decade of V. M. I. harriers, Colonel H. M. "Son" Read, and led by Southern Conference two-mile record-holder Frank Liddell, the thin-clad men in red defeated everything in their class, and lost only to more experienced and powerful squads. They defeated the University of Richmond, and W. & L. twice in practice meets, while dropping duals with Virginia and Virginia Tech.

Running against the cream of Conference distance men, Captain Liddell placed third in a very large field. Other outstanding performers were Jim Harrington, Charlie Avery, Bob Hemple, Bill Sweeney, and Jim Morgan.



Left to Right: Shelley, Bedsole, Dooley, Director Roberts, Green, Laville, Bolvig, Fleming

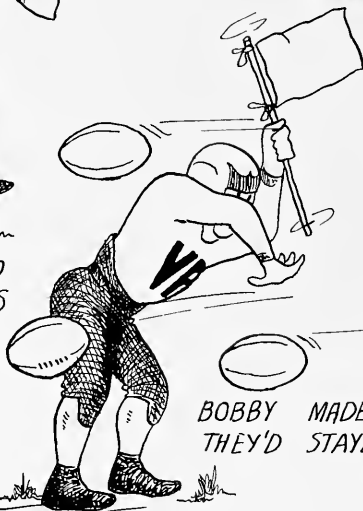
THE INTRAMURAL COUNCIL

Responsibility for planning and executing a beneficial intramural program falls squarely upon the shoulders of Bill Roberts and his council, made up of intramural managers from each of the companies. The results of their labor are fitting tribute, as V. M. I. boasts a well-rounded schedule for student participation sports which is second to none. Nothing is overlooked that will provide an outlet for pent up athletic prowess in the most confirmed introvert among the seven hundred cadets who make up the Corps. The smashing climax and high point of the nine-month program is the Blood Bowl, an inter-battalion football game, complete with pads, bands, cheer leaders, and bruised bodies. Medals are awarded winners in the various sports, and trophies to outstanding men in all phases. Relative company standings in the intramural flag chase count heavily in the determination of the winner of the coveted Garnett-Andrews Cup, awarded annually to the best all-around company at V. M. I. Competition is keen, spirit runs high, the sports are fun, and V. M. I. has an "on-the-ball" Intramural Council; add these up and you get "tops" in sports enjoyment for all.



HUTCH GOT OFF A GOOD
MANY EXPLOSIVE PUNTS

VINCE TORE THROUGH
TIME AND AGAIN



BOBBY MADE OPPONENTS WISH
THEY'D STAYED IN BED.



THATCHER MADE IT LOOK EASY



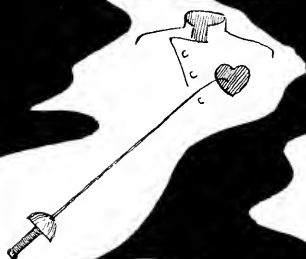
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L.J. Franchi

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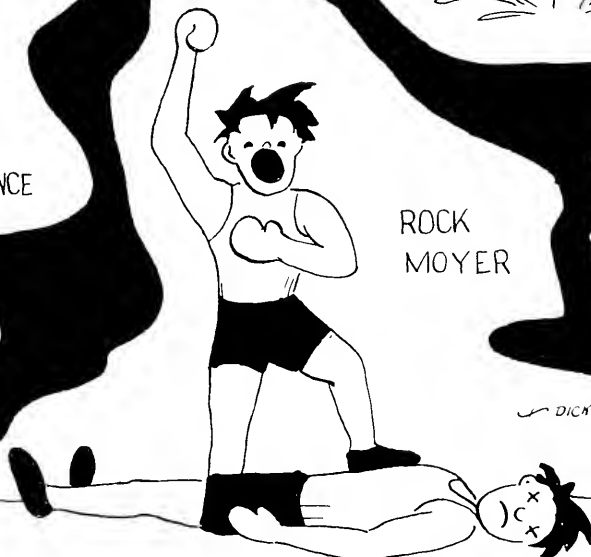


FRANK
LIDDELL —



TOOK SOUTHERN CONFERENCE
IN A WALK —

ROCK
MOYER



SOUTHERN CONFERENCE CHAMP

DICKENSON



THE SECOND WORLD WAR



THE sequence of events in what became known as World War II was not greatly different from its predecessor a generation ago. It was on September 1, 1939, that Germany began to send armed forces across the border into Poland and many nations were soon involved, but instead of making active preparations to enter the holocaust after the declaration of war, the United States in this war started to mobilize its manpower more than a year before it actually entered the conflict on December 8, 1941, or on the day following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

The lists of those in the armed services in this war contain the names of men of world-wide renown, but in passing it might be mentioned that both the Chief of Staff and the Deputy Chief of Staff of the largest army ever mobilized and used by the United States of America were V. M. I. graduates who had attended no other college.

It was in fact a world war and men who had worn the V. M. I. gray safely convoyed comrades across the never slumbering sea, fought over its pathless surface or down in its vast depths; they flew the relentless man-made birds of the air forces; toiled through the dank, fever-infested swamps of Burma; wrested quaggy jungles on Pacific isles from fanatical Japanese conquerors; staggered in the mud in long columns over strange lands under soggy packs; carried on in the mountains of the Italian peninsula, the shell-shattered roads of the Low Countries, the fiery sands of Africa, the immense frozen flows of Iceland, the fog-bound Aleutians, and where not—literally from Greenland's icy mountains to India's coral strand. Yes, on raging, icy oceans; far above in the boundless heavens; in mazes of trenches, drifts and fox-holes, and oft ensnared in a gory tangle of barbed wire, many of these young men met their God—gentlemen unafraid. Are these vast words? Perhaps the best answer is to look at the memorial tablets listing those who gave their lives, and we will find that of the more than 4,000 V. M. I. men who served in World War II before the Japanese surrender on August 15, 1945, one hundred eighty-five (185) died in the armed services, and the world-wide aspect of their sacrifice is readily appreciated when we know where they died—

United States.....	30	India.....	1
Alaska.....	3	China.....	2
Canada.....	1	Japan.....	4
Venezuela.....	1	North Africa.....	11
Ecuador.....	1	Australia.....	2
France.....	21	Philippines.....	8
Germany.....	24	Pacific Islands (New Guinea, Formosa, Palau, Negros, Timian, Saipan, Iwo Jima, Okinawa).....	28
Italy and Sicily.....	13	At sea—Atlantic.....	6
Belgium, Luxembourg and Netherlands.....	7	Pacific.....	11
Austria.....	3	Mediterranean.....	1
Roumania.....	1	North Sea.....	1
Poland.....	1	Total.....	185
England.....	1		
Scotland.....	1		
Burma.....	2		

Death is the great leveler and the memorial plaques carry no indication of rank, but there were many V. M. I. men in World War II who were entrusted with great responsibilities, and among the names on the memorial plates are three who died in far places—Alaska, Okinawa and Germany. These men were respectively the second ranking officer in the Marine Corps, the commander of the Tenth Army, and the commander of the Third (and later of the Fifteenth) Army.

"They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn."

Colone William Couper
Historiographer, V. M. I.



BOOK FIVE

The Activities

The Honor Court and the General Committee

The honor system at V. M. I. is one of the most important factors contributing to the uniqueness of the Institute. The honor system is administered by the corps of cadets and for the corps of cadets. Each cadet is honor bound to report all violations of the honor code to the Honor Court, whether the violator be himself, his roommate, or his closest friend. The Honor Court is made up of representatives from the upper three classes in school, and its purpose is to recommend to the Superintendent any action which is to be taken against a violator. Such action entails dismissal of the violator if he is found guilty by the Court.

V. M. I. is one of the few institutions of its size where men live in complete trust of each other. V. M. I. is one of the few places where professors leave the examination room without fear of persons cheating, where money and valuable personal possessions are left unguarded and unlocked, and where men, when speaking officially, speak nothing but the truth. Such ideals in a society of any sort are often dreamed of but seldom attained. The honor system at V. M. I. is something that came from within, something that was conceived by a handful of cadets and today is adhered to by more than eight hundred cadets over one hundred years later.

To strangers, the Honor System is a curiosity. Typical questions from visitors are, "What is it like?" "How does it operate?" "Does it work?" To the cadets, however, the honor system is a cherished possession which is guarded daily. The honor system is not a "system," but a way of life, the right way of life, the V. M. I. way of life.

Coupled with the Honor System as an integral part of the administration of V. M. I. by cadets is the General Committee. The purpose of the General Committee is twofold. Its functions are to maintain the high standards of the appearance of the corps outside of barracks and to maintain the class system at V. M. I. It instills in each cadet the importance of sportsmanlike conduct, respect, and self-discipline.

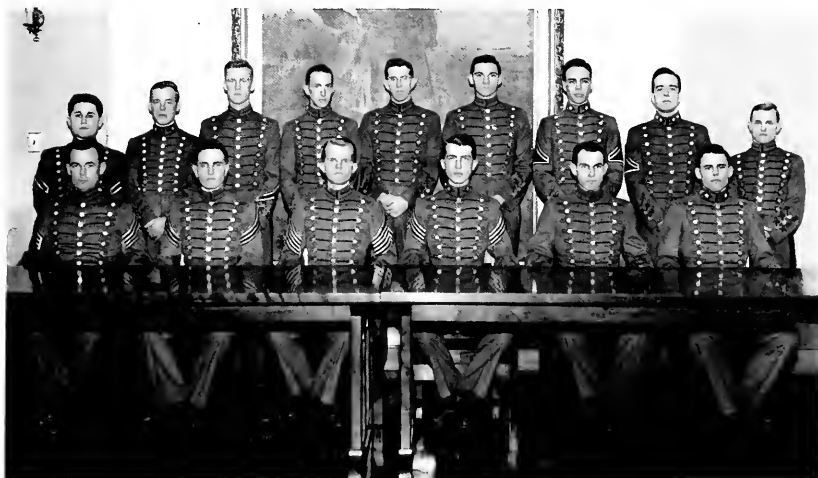
The General Committee functions primarily, also, to uphold class privileges which through custom and tradition have been assumed by the respective classes. Through this, the supervision of barracks is primarily in the hands of the first class. It is a cadet government by and for all cadets.

THE HONOR COURT



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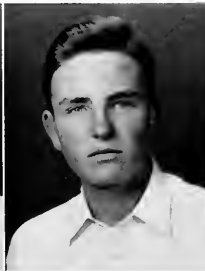
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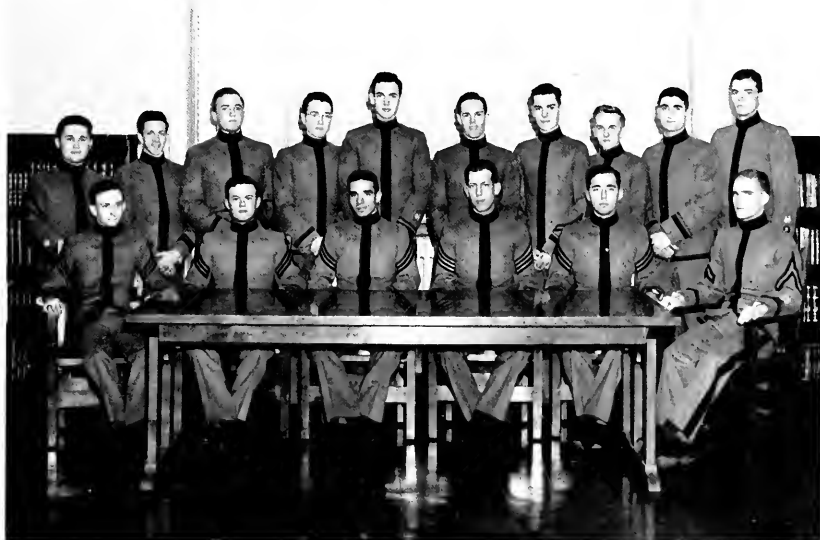
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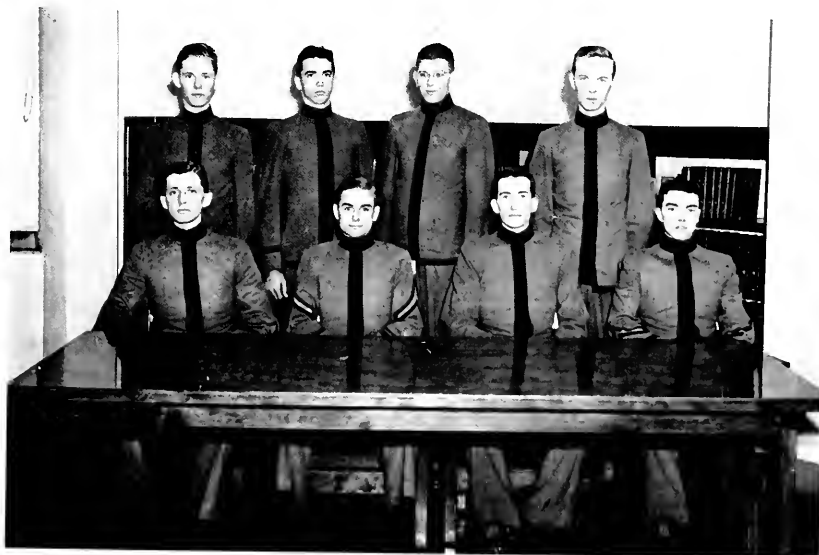
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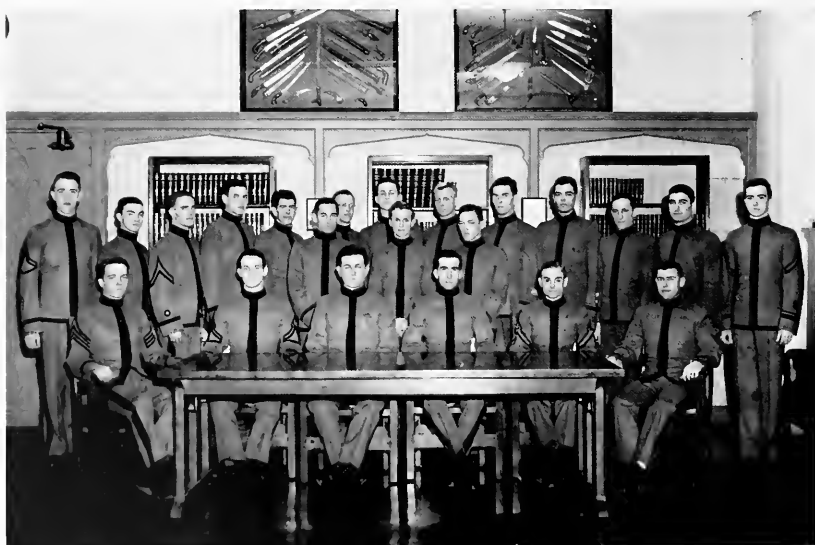
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THE GLEE CLUB

The V. M. I. Glee Club, in its fourth year of postwar activity, is once again coming into its own under the more than able direction of Colonel Herbert N. Dillard. Strengthened by forty recruits from the Rat class who have increased the size of the roll from sixty members to over ninety, the club has made more extensive plans for this year than for any other year since the war. A four-day trip in November included concerts at Mary Washington College, the Quantico Marine Base, Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, and Washington Cathedral. In December a program was given in the Lexington High School auditorium, and the club joined the Madison Choir to participate in the Christmas program at Madison College. Of course, the annual barracks Christmas program was given on the night before the beginning of Christmas furlough.

Included in the repertoire of the club at present, other than Christmas numbers, are "Stouthearted Men," which is becoming more or less a theme song; "Mesereri Meo Deus," a Latin hymn which is generally considered the finest piece of music sung by the club; and, on the novelty side, swing versions of "My Bonnie" and "Comin' Through the Rye."

All progress shown by the club to date is a direct return on the tireless efforts of Colonel Dillard. The fact that over ten per cent of the corps is in the Glee Club and that many more tried out for the club points out in itself that Colonel Dillard has made the organization not only one to be very proud of but also one in which it is a great pleasure to take part.

THE HEALTHFUL AND PLEASANT ABODE OF A CROWD OF HONORABLE
YOUTHS PRESSING UP THE HILL OF SCIENCE WITH NOBLE EMLATION
A GRATIFYING SPECTACLE AN HONOR TO OVR COVNTY AND OVR
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PROVD OF HER FAME AND READY IN EVERY TIME OF DEEPEST PERIL
TO VINDICATE HER HONOR OR DEFEND HER RIGHTS



The Merry Monogram Minstrel

1. "Deal, dammit, deal"
2. Miss Andrews walks the tight-rope
3. "Mr. Interlocuter, suh!"
4. "That weren't no lady"
5. "Sewanee River" Fulghum
6. "Suh, Cadet Friday, A Day reportin' "
7. "We will improvise words that we all can sing"

The Monogram Club

The Monogram Club is a voluntary organization composed of cadets who have won a letter in a varsity sport. All men who join the club must go through a week of initiation known as the "Monogram Rat Line." During this week the "Monogram Rats" live in fear of their lives and take good naturedly any abuses the members of the club have to offer.

The purpose of the Monogram Club is to expand the interest in athletic activities at V. M. I. The club also functions as a social organization, providing banquets and picnics for the members and their dates during hop week ends. Movies of football games are also taken and shown to the corps at various times during the year.

This fall the Monogram Club initiated a new activity, "The Merry Monogram Minstrel." The minstrel show is sponsored by the Monogram Club and contains talent taken from the corps to provide an hour of hilarious entertainment.



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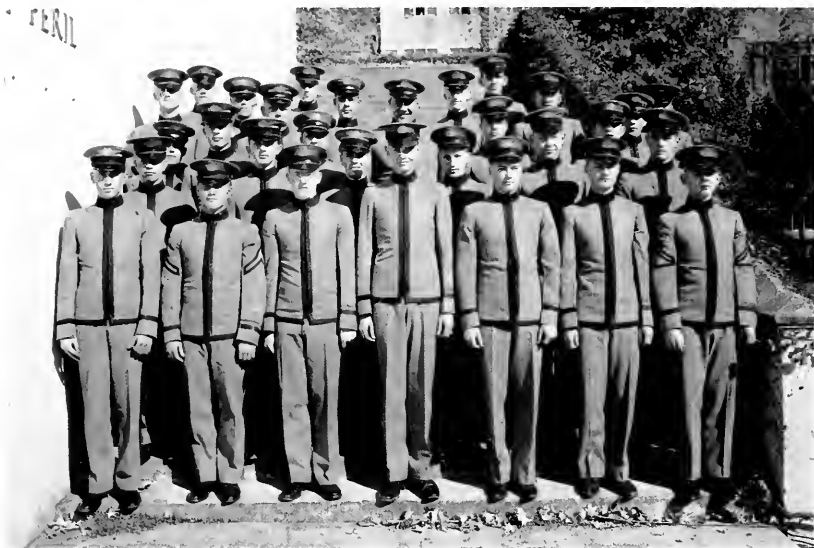


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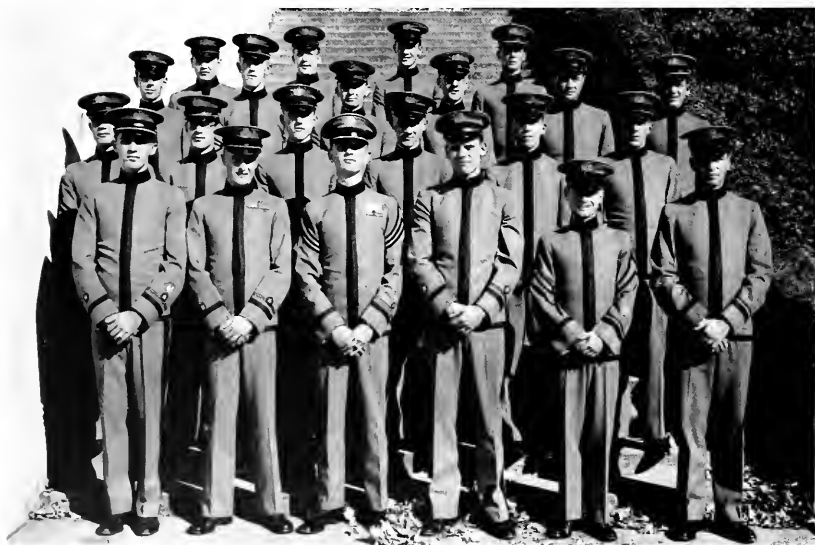


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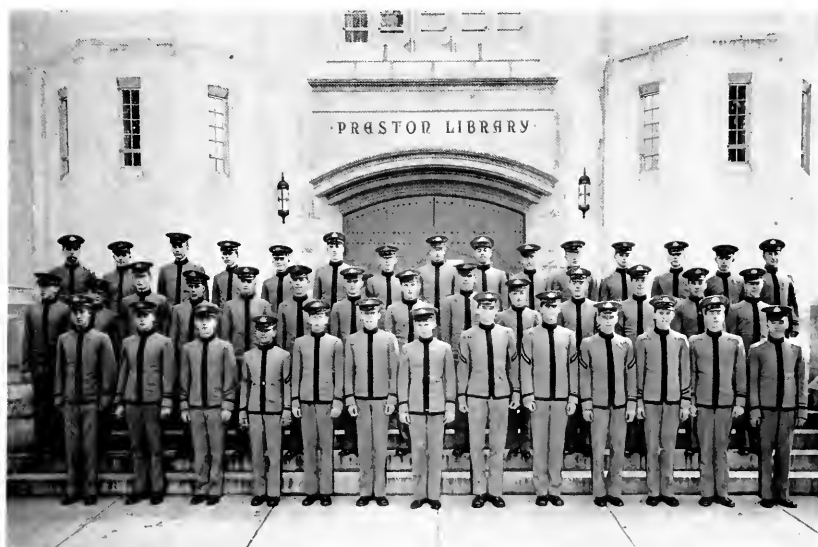
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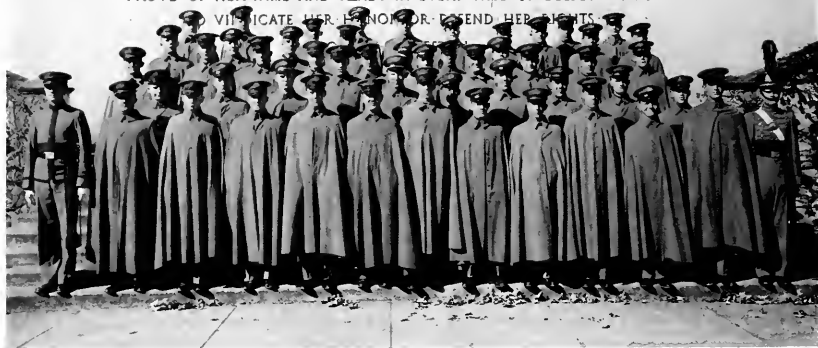


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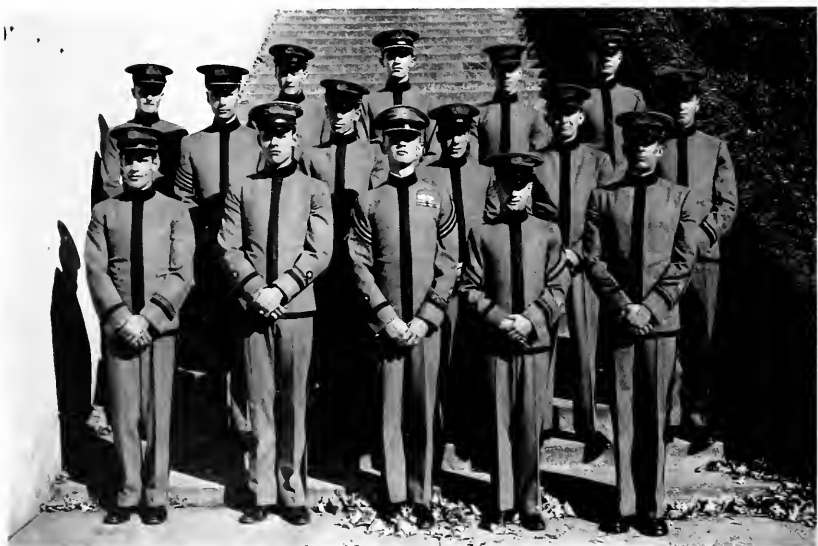


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From Left to Right, Seated: T. J. Burckell, R. L. Brooke, S. B. Brown, R. J. Robertson, E. L. Smith
 Standing: H. B. Green, J. H. Parrott, H. M. Brand, H. N. Michie, A. L. Lawrence, G. G. Lancaster,
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THE SECOND CLASS FINANCE COMMITTEE

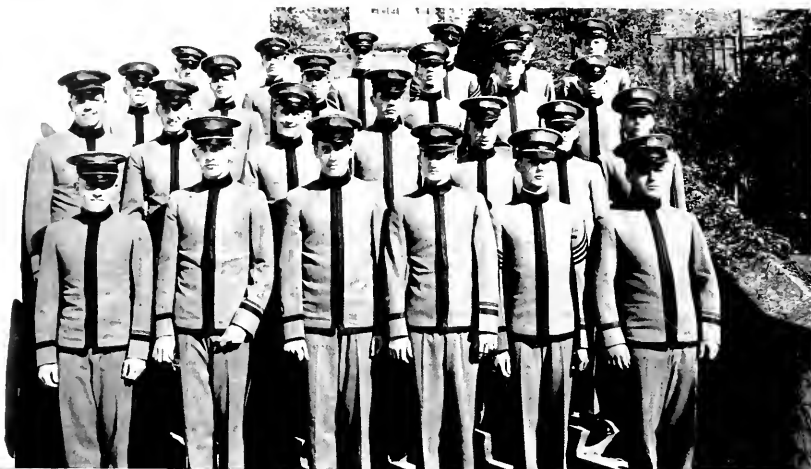


Second Class Finance Committee of 1950-A
 From Left to Right, Seated: J. L. Mallard, H. E. Logsdon, R. L. Martin
 Standing: M. E. Witcher, W. D. Collier, J. E. Olivares,
 E. A. Miller

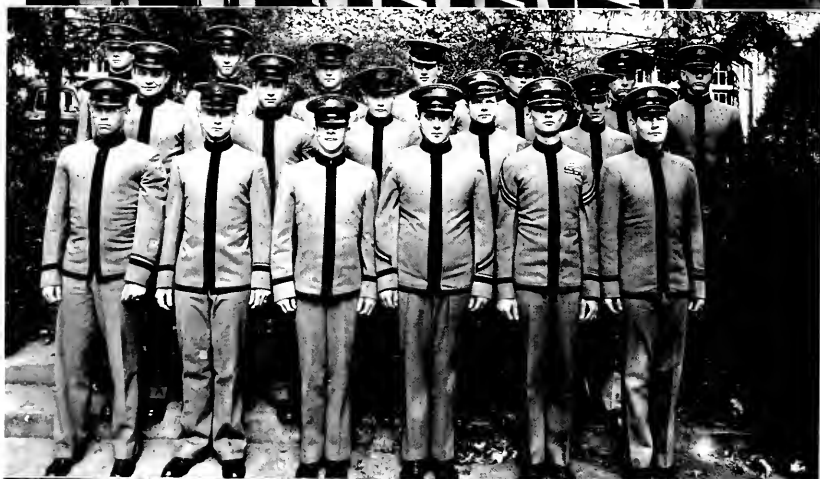
The most mercenary men in barracks, that's the Second Class Finance Committee. Almost every item imaginable from orchids to Esquire calendars is dispensed with a shrewd and calculating eye strongly resembling a dollar sign. First cousins to Shylock and the devil's own brothers, but where would we be without them?

This year the Committee devised many new methods to separate Cadets from their hard-earned R. O. T. C. checks. A magazine stand was introduced into the Post Exchange so Cadets would not have to hurry all the way up town to spend their money. School stationery prices were reduced, and much to the relief of the men in the Ring Figure, orchids were made available to the Corps at an almost unbelievably low price.

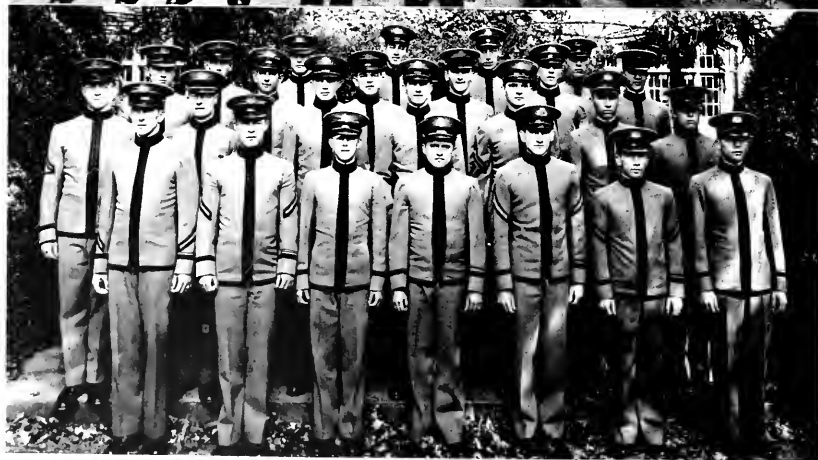
The smoothness and efficiency with which this year's Committee has functioned should insure a firm financial foundation for next year's social activities.



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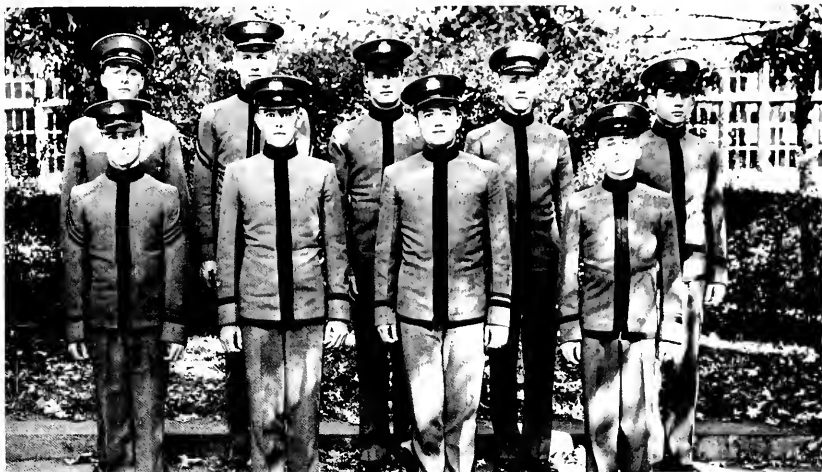


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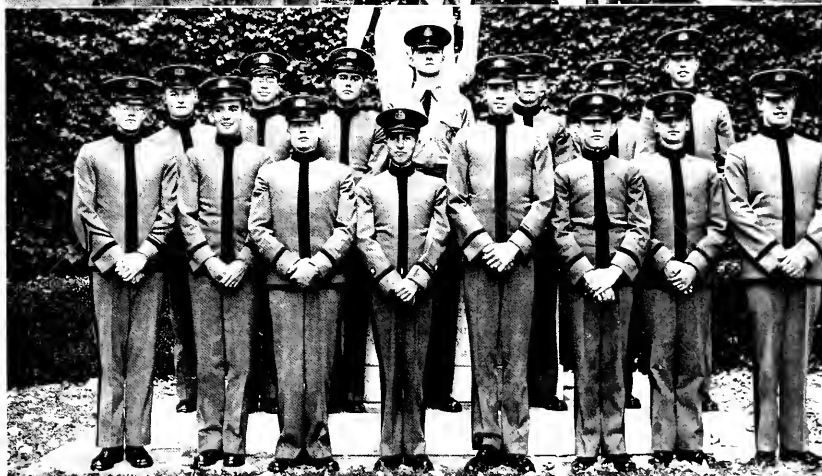


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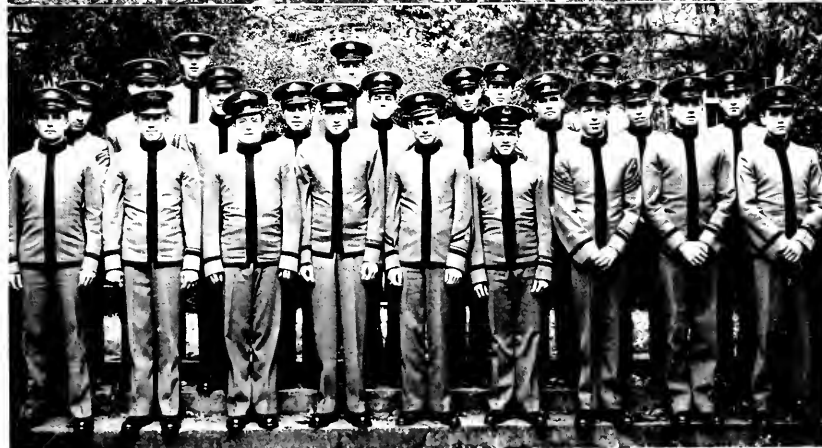
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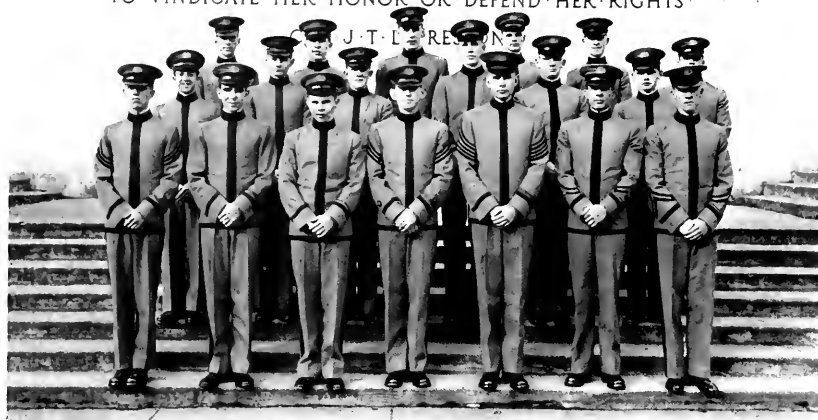


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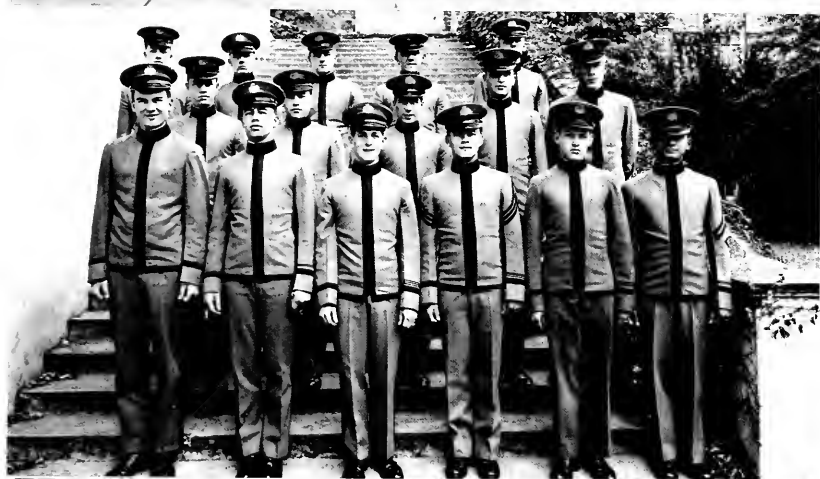


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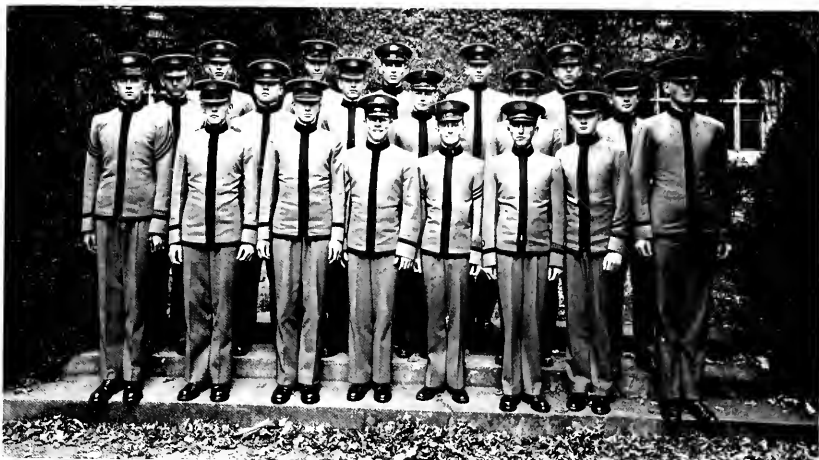


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THE V. M. I. COMMANDERS

Under the able tutelage of "Hotz" Lardon, who has headed the band since its reorganization in 1945, the Commanders have played at such schools as Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Stuart Hall, Mary Baldwin College, Madison College, Hollins College, and Southern Seminary. They also provided the music for the Home-Coming Hops here at the Institute. Heading the list of performers is, of course, "Bob" Lardon. "Hotz," as he is known by all, hails from New York City and has a great wealth of musical talent plus the background to go with it. Specializing on the drums, "Bob" has established a lasting reputation for himself at V. M. I.

At the top of the roll of musicians in the outfit is "Johnny" Crosswell, who heads the trombone section. "Johnny" is scheduled to take over as leader when Lardon graduates this January. "Ash" Harrison and "Tommy" Kirk are the standouts from the second class, "Ash" playing the trombone and "Tommy" the saxophone. Marshall Brittain completes the trombone section, while "Gene" Hawthorne and "Ernie" Reinhold round out the cadet members of the saxophone section. At the piano is Walter Dresser, co-author of the "V. M. I. Tribute."

The group is not composed totally of cadets, however. Three members are from Minkland across the way. Tops among the three is "Johnny" Cole who sparks the trumpet section. "Bob" Reed adds to the output of the sax group, while "Pete" Palmer holds forth on the bass fiddle. Complementing Cole on the trumpet are "Mac" Blackwell and "Bob" Wick of the Third Class.

The fame of the Commanders is statewide. In addition to the girls' schools listed above, the band has played at Augusta Military Academy, the Industrial Conference held at the Institute last year, the Infantile Paralysis Foundation concert, and numerous informal concerts for the benefit of the Cadet Corps.



Seated, Left to Right: R. S. Jeffries, R. T. Lardon, L. E. Soucek, P. E. Bowers, E. J. Mead
 Standing, Left to Right: J. H. Jordan, G. Mason, W. G. Wolfe, D. A. Murphy, T. L. Marr, A. M. Casey, B. E. Morriss, R. L. Tauss, H. E. Logsdon

THE HOP COMMITTEE

V. M. I. dances which are known throughout the South for their beauty and uniqueness are under the direct supervision of the Hop Committee. This year's committee under the direction of Leo Soucek, Webster Chandler, and Peter Bowers has given the corps four sets of hops that have excelled all others in the memories of the cadets at the Institute now. They were characterized by such bands as Johnny Long and Jimmy Livingston. The Hop Committee this year found itself supported more than ever by the Corps, not only because of widespread publicity, but also because of comparatively low-priced tickets.

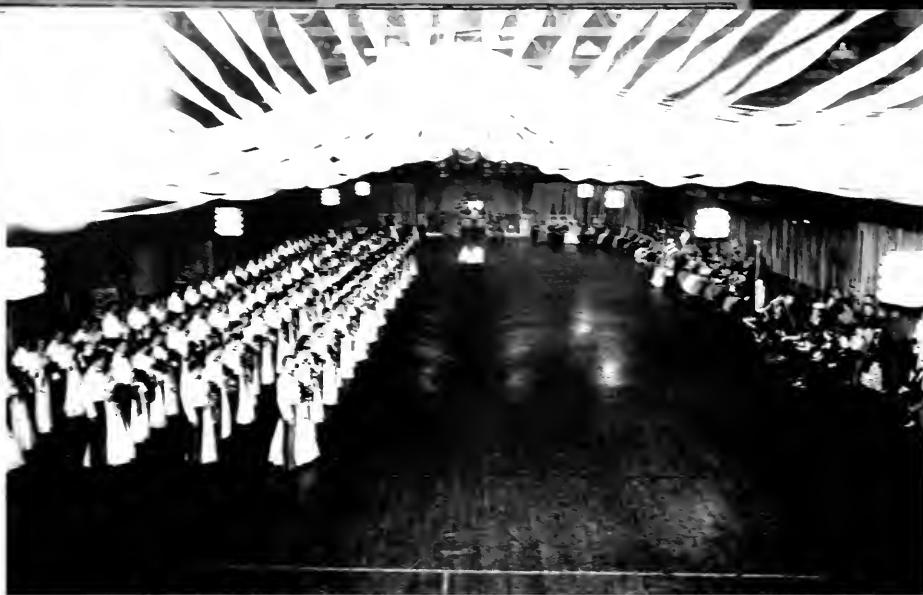
The problem of preparing for a set of hops is an unusually hard one. It requires that each cadet on the committee give unstintingly of his time. The work is hard and arduous, requiring originality and ability.

The cadets are aided in their work by two advisors: Colonel Thomas A. E. Moseley and Mrs. Robert A. Knox. In addition to these there is a Floor Committee which is appointed by members of the Hop Committee to aid in their work. These men are usually members of the lower classes with the members of the Hop Committee coming from the first class.

Ring
Figure
Class of
1949-B







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Miss Betty Ledbetter



Miss Margaret Anne Eanes



Miss Joanne Franklin



Miss Ruth Whittle

Miss Ellen Nolan



Miss Ann Donnelly



Miss Nettie Grace Sledd



Miss Barbara Bainbridge



Miss Mary Sweeney



Miss Grace Wallace



Miss Angela Zuver



Miss Helen French Roberts



Miss Jean Richards





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Figure

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It's An Outrage!

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F O T O C R I M E



About seven-thirty on the night of February 29, 1947, the dangling body of Richard "Little Joe" Hill was found in the main sinks by a member of the guard. Being a V. M. I. man and having his wits about him, this guard member immediately notified the Officer of the Day. This worthy gentleman, "Lightning Joe" Johann by name, realizing that this was one of the most brutal murders in the history of the Institute, immediately notified the famed super sleuth, J. Harrington Cobb, of Court Yard.

Upon arrival at the scene, the ace investigator immediately made the following deductions:

After diligent questioning, Cobb determined that on the day of the murder, before supper, the deceased had been a participant in a friendly game of chance. Taking each player one by one, the veteran dick searched for a motive. Starting on Hill's left, "Beany" Branch told Cobb that he "believed Joe turned him in for selling cheese sandwiches, so that he (Hill) could take over." Mort Massie suspected Hill of cheating during the game. Teddy Bohn spat, "I hated his guts!" Bob Hemple suspected Hill of pilfering from the private stock that he had been saving until he got off pledge. Bruno Pack said, "Little Joe was my buddy. I'd never do a thing like that. You know I couldn't have killed him!"

Cobb summarized: "All these men had good motives, with the exception of Pack who, strangely, had none."

"The rope indicates that this heinous crime must have been premeditated, and there is but one worse crime than a premeditated murder—one that is thought out beforehand. The presence of the First Captain's coatee in the next booth will require some further consideration on my part, but it is quite obvious that the victim was friendly with the murderer, since he was caught with his pants down."

Stationing two harness bulls to guard the scene until the arrival of the meat wagon, J. Harrington Cobb proceeded with his investigation.



J. Harrington went immediately to the room of the deceased, where he interrogated the grief-stricken roommates, and obtained the coroner's report from Dr. C. A. Andrews, homicide department medical investigator. Little could be gained from the roommates, who were rendered almost inarticulate by the murder and who were trying to drown their sorrow. Hot Mus Tweedy, trying to comfort his friends, muttered, "We only live once—or do we?" Suddenly realizing that they no longer had a fourth for bridge, the roommates asked that Cobb and the coroner leave them to mourn in solitude.



Assembling the results of his field work, J. Harrington Cobb surrounded himself with the best staff of criminal investigators in the Yard, and retired to the files of the mystery-shrouded executive office. While Special Investigators Outland, Dissek, and Hening went over the records from all angles, Cobb studied the over-all shape of the problem before him. As the long hours wore on, Outland finally got a lead from a telephone conversation with Herb Patchin, and notified Hening and Dissek. After much effort, these two finally found the record mentioned, and showed it to Cobb. J. Harrington glanced up at the paper, then snapped his fingers and leaped into the air, clicking his heels seven times on the way down. "Elementary," he cried, and dashed out of the room.



Cobb assembled all suspects in Room 162. All came willingly with the exception of Bruno Pack, who was dragged from his room by Strong-Arm Squad Men Adams and Niemeyer. "No, no" cried Pack as he was flung into the room, "I didn't have anything to do with it. He was my friend." J. Harrington Cobb sternly pushed him into the corner of the room with the others, and quieted the sobbing roommates. Cobb turned to Branch and snapped, "What brand of cigarettes do you smoke?" Branch cowered, and replied, "Fatimas." With a stern look and determined scowl, J. Harrington Cobb pointed into the group, and said, "I arrest YOU for the murder of Little Joe Hill."

STOP!

Whom did J. Harrington Cobb arrest? Can you tell, from the pictures, the name of the brutal murderer of Little Joe Hill? Match your wits with the world's greatest homicide detective, J. Harrington Cobb.

Give up? Turn to page 11,784 (next page) for the solution.





The Master: Will you please explain the difference to me between shillings and pence?
Patterson: You can walk down the street without shillings.

Sweeney: If I'm studying when you come in, wake me up.

Doc Carroll: Marty, why are you late?
Marty: Class started before I got here, sir.

Mirandy went to the doctor for a checkup. "How many children do you have now, Mirandy?" asked the doctor.

"I've got thirteen," was the reply, "six by my first husband and four by my present husband."

"But that's only ten," said the doctor.

"Yes suh," she blushed, "but I've had three by myself."

Two old maids went for a tramp in the woods. Fortunately, the tramp escaped.

Starting with the first clues, J. Harrington Cobb learned through masterful deduction that Second Captain Charles Walthour had been the first to discover the body, but had not reported the fact. Instead, he rushed to Room 121, secured Cadet V. Maxwell's coatee, and planted it on the scene of the crime, thus attempting to cast suspicion upon Maxwell, in order that he, Walthour, might be made First Captain. Next, Cobb considered each man who participated in the poker game, and found from their company commanders that none of them had fallen out from supper. This would automatically eliminate any of them from the picture. The roommates were also absolved by the fact that, as Cobb noted, all suspenders belonging to occupants of Room 162 were in the room immediately after the murder, and since no suspenders were placed on Certified Inspection, he reasoned that the death-dealing pair had belonged to the murderer, as it was common knowledge that Hill owned no suspenders.

The important clue came from the lead given by Herb Patchin who reported that frequently enemies were made on the screen tests given during Rat P. T. classes. A thorough investigation of the records revealed that Little Joe had come out next to the bottom on his Rat screen test. And the man on bottom was—THE KILLER! Junior Stribling!

Thus ends another chapter in J. Harrington Cobb's fight to preserve in barracks the fundamental rights of Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of.



"It's okay—just a mink I met at the Tap-Room"

PARTY-PARTY

People grasping
Cocktail glasses
Stand in gasping,
Teeming masses.
People smoking,
People drinking,
Coughing, choking,
Getting stinking.
Some discreetly
Boiled or fried;
Some completely
Ossified.
Liquor spilling,
Trousers sopping,
Steady swilling,
Bodies dropping.
Glasses falling
On the floor,
People calling
"Drop some more."
Bodies steaming,
Morals stretching,
Women screaming,
Freshmen retching,
Heavy smoking,
Air gets thicker.
Some one croaking
"No more liquor!"
What! Wha! !??
No
more
liquor . . .
People snicker,
Unbelieving,
No more liquor?
Let's be leaving.
Groans and hisses!
What a stinking
Party this is.
—Lampoon



Cookie tossing—V. M. I. style

A movie star is like a million dollars—it's a good figure but you'll never get your hands on it.

"Grandma, use the bottle opener—you'll ruin your gums."

Reputation: A personal possession, frequently not discovered until lost.

Mother entering the room unexpected: Well, I never!
Daughter: Oh Mother, you must have.

She: My what slim hands you have, they belong on a girl.
He: You asked for it, Baby!

Joe: What did you do when her dress started coming off?
Moe: I helped her best I could.



"Let's get gassed."



"Only known carrier of dread disease, Excessitis Demeritus, and victim."



"Uh . . . puff, report yourself for—(puff) smoking on the stoop (puff @ & Co wheeze) Mr. Grossclothes."

He: I had a dream about you last night.
She: Did you?
He: No, you wouldn't let me.

The small snake came home with tears in his little pink eyes.

Rivulets ran down his hot little face.

"Mommy," he sobbed, "they won't let me play with the little snake next door."

"That bunch of snobs! I knew them when they didn't have a pit to hiss in."

"Mother, come here quickly."

"What's the matter, dear?"

"Billy just ate all the raisins off that sticky brown paper."

Said the brassiere to the hat: You go on ahead; I'll give these other two a lift.

First Drunk: Shay you don't open the door with that, it's a cigar butt.

Second Drunk: My god, I've smoked my key.

A girl usually drops a few hints—after that you can take things in your own hands.

Marry him! Do you think I would marry a man who snores!

The click of the knitting needles, the creak of the rocker and the ticking of the grandfather's clock were all that disturbed the silence of the warm, sunny room. With childish curiosity Little Gloria sat watching the purls and stitches.

"Grandma," she asked, "Why do you knit?"

"Oh," wheezed the old lady, "Just for the hell of it."

A gay fop from old Monticello
Is really a terrible fellow
In the midst of caresses
He fills ladies' dresses
With garter snakes, ice cubes, and jello.

Irate wife to intoxicated husband: Darn it,
let's go to bed.

Husband: I might as well, I'll catch hell
when I get home anyway.

And then there is the story of the Scotch-
man who phoned up his sweetheart to find
out what night she was free.

He: Can I take you home?

She: Sure, where do you live?

May: You've got to hand it to Jim when it
comes to petting.

June: What's the matter, is he lazy?

A small boy sat on the curb with a cigarette
in one hand and a bottle of beer in the other.
An old lady spied him with amazement and
asked:

"Sonny, why aren't you in school?"

"Hell, lady, I'm only three!"



"... and whoosh little boy are you?"



"Doorway 225," 2nd Class Finance Committee?

He: All right gal, kiss me!

She: Just try and make me.

He: Gosh, all I want is a kiss.

He: Darling, did I hear something break?

She: Don't worry, dear, it's only my promise
to mother.

A bachelor is a man who has no children to
speak of.

"You can't arrest me. I come from one of
the best families in Virginia."

"That's okay, buddy. We ain't arresting you
for breeding purposes."

Why does a stop light always turn red?

You'd turn red too if you had to stop and go
in the middle of the street.

Betty: Bill was sure feeling low last night.

Hetty: Well, I hope you slapped his face.

To hell with expense! Give the canary
another seed.

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Ed. Note—Watta' woman! !

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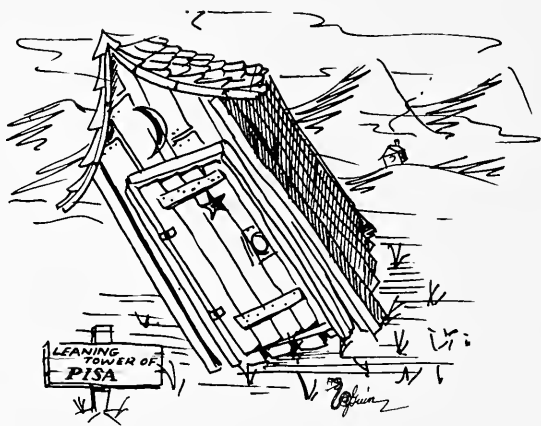
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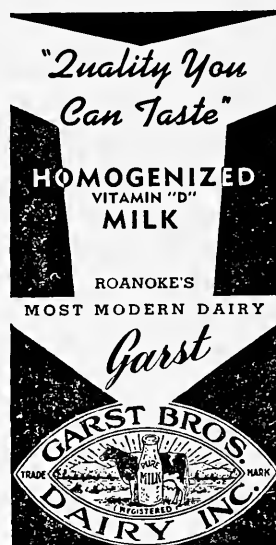
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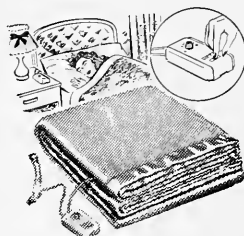
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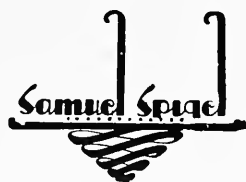
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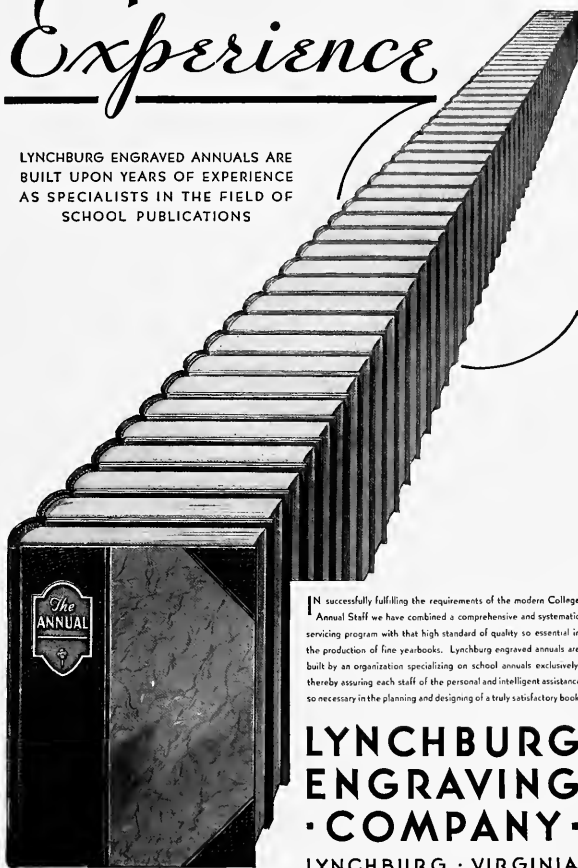
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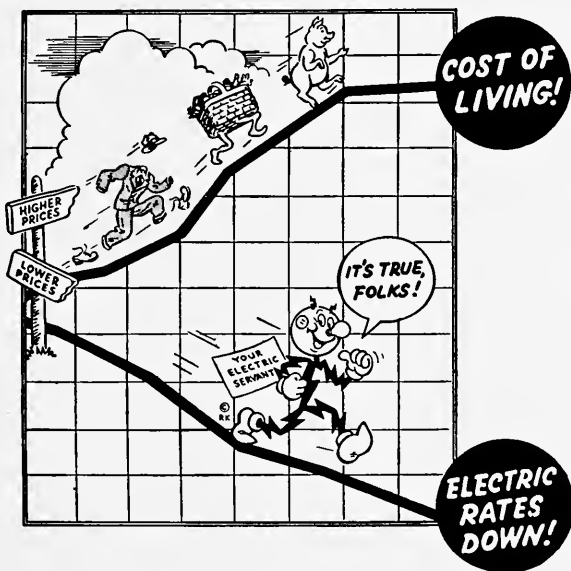
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Chapter 1

In the beginning Oliver, called the great, created rank and file.

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And the rank was brought forth abundantly with brass, leaves and birds and Oliver saw that it was good.

And Oliver said the rank must be separated from the file, and it was so.

And the rank was given dominance over the file.

Chapter 2

And it came to pass at a council of the chieftains of the rank that Oliver said, "The rank must clampeth down over the file" and accordingly it was done.

And this was the evening of the first day.

Chapter 3

At the morning of the second day Oliver said unto his chieftains, "Depart, and go ye up hence unto the stoops and 'bone' thou the people, yea, even the tribe of cadets called the file, until they shall cry and plead for mercy, for they are becoming gross and thinketh, yea, even that they are in a land of milk and honey."

And when the people heard these evil tidings they mourned and no man did put on him his ornaments for Oliver has said unto his chieftains, say ye unto the tribe of cadets "Ye are a gross people; I will come up unto thee yea even in the midst and bone thee."

And the chieftains did go forth unto the tribe and amass huge piles of reports written in hieroglyphics on clay tablets and did give them to the team called guard under the command of the Odee and Ogee to translate and record in a book called "Ye Bones," written in by a hireling of Oliver called the "Sperk."

And this was the evening of the second day. And toward the closing of this evening at the sound of the call named "Ye Tattoo" the chieftains of the stoop called third, did hold a conference and did decide to call "Ye Stepoff," for in charge of the big tent that evening was the Short One oft called "Wee Willie."

And the news scattereth swiftly, like unto the seeds of Israel, even unto the four winds.

And did said "Rats" prepare for said "Ye Stepoff" with all manner of explosives that ringeth out even unto the inhabitants of the land called "Hell's Half."

And it did come to pass at the specified hour that the chieftains of the stoop called third did cry out in the darkness "Step off, ye rats," and the rodents did come out of their holes, making all manner of sounds and did run in many directions,

scattering the flame with the torch of fire and throwing all explosives.

And out of his hole did come "Wee Willie" of ferocious temper liketh unto a lion with gory mane.

And did said "Short One" send forth the Odee and Ogee into the flame and capture said rats and bone each and every one and roast every third-stooper on a spit of iron over said flaming doors and paper. And did said "Short One" climb unto the stoop called fourth and did lash out on a tongue of flame and did also write on his tablet of clay certain names, the owners of which were to be sacrificed before the altar of the high priest more oft called Oliver.

And it did happen that the mighty gods of the stoop called first, known also as elder statesmen, go up and lash the rodents back unto their holes.

And the evening became quiet.

Chapter 4

On the morn of the third day did again sally forth said chieftains of the rank and did bone said members of the tribe for "dirty linen in closets" and "laundry in said bags" until many did reach said limit afterwards called excess.

And at which time did said members of the tribe parade forth and yon on tours and were pointed on with scorn by visitors and fellow tribesmen and called gross.

Chapter 5

And the fourth and fifth days passeth and passeth in the same manner as the third and the White Father called Great, oft called Zebra, did call a council meeting of the high and mighty and did proclaim a state of emergency and did order all members of the tribe to take up arms against the ungodly who did sally forth with clay tablets.

Chapter 6

On the sixth day did Oliver call unto his lesser priests bearing rams' horns and say, "On the seventh day ye shall send forth armed men before ye and shout out unto the tribe of cadets, 'Unto Ye Oliver is King, lay down your arms.' And if said tribe shall refuse, ye shall blow your horns until the walls of said big tent fall down flat, and ye shall proclaim Martial Law"

And it came to pass on the seventh day that said priests made a long blast with their horns and did said walls of the big tent fall flat.

And each one ascended unto the ruins and proclaimed, "Oliver is King."

And all bowed low.

By Ye Chief Scribe

Ye W. R. Whitehurst

